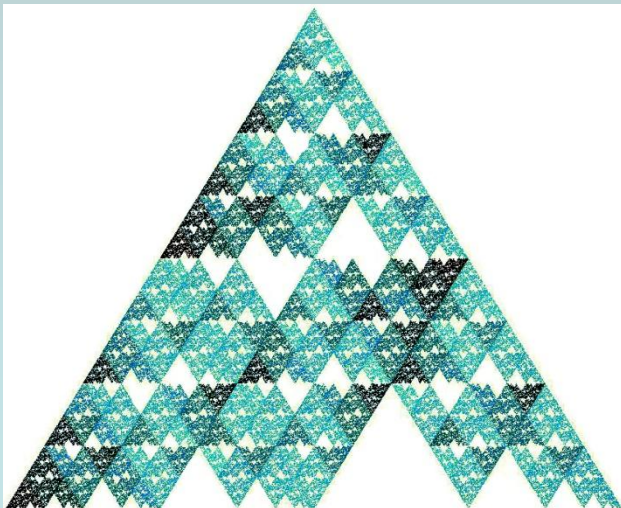
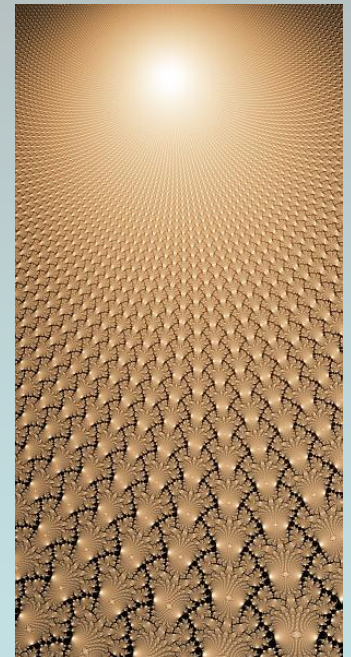
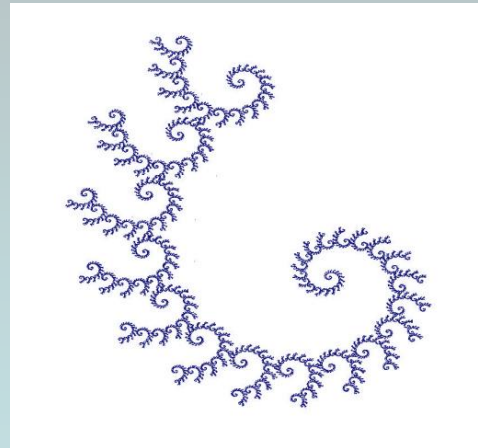
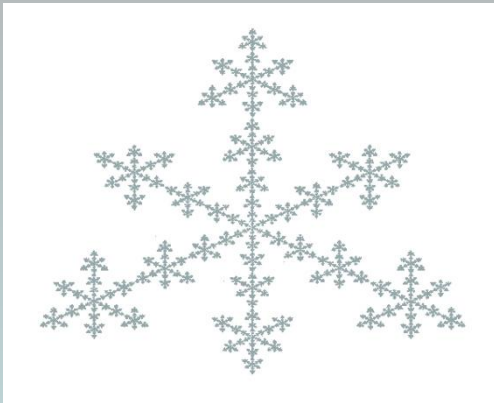


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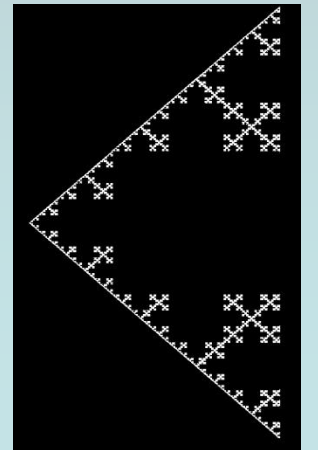
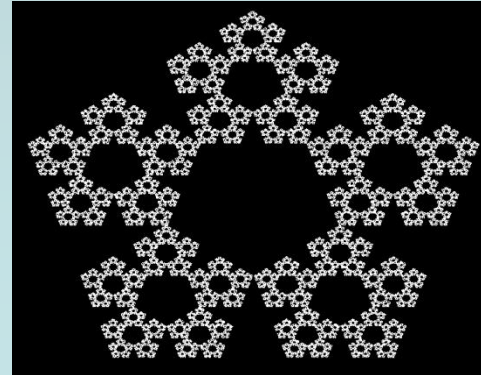
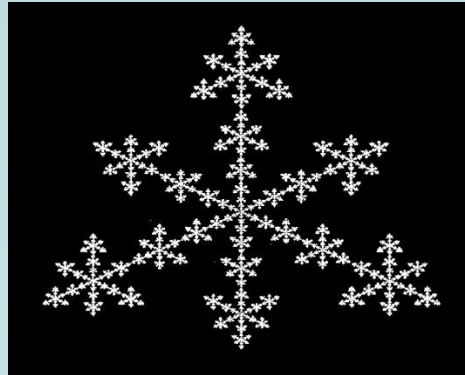
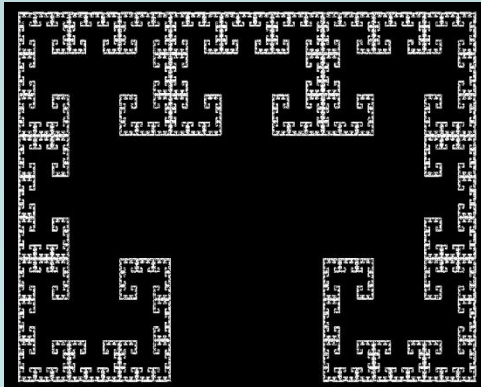
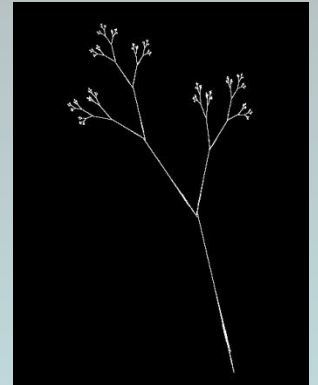
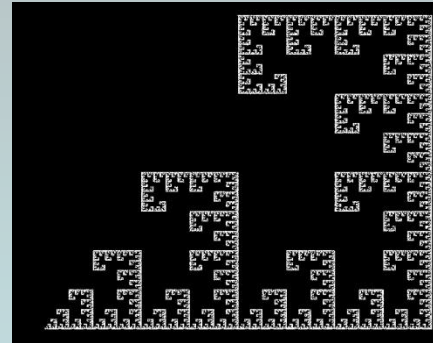
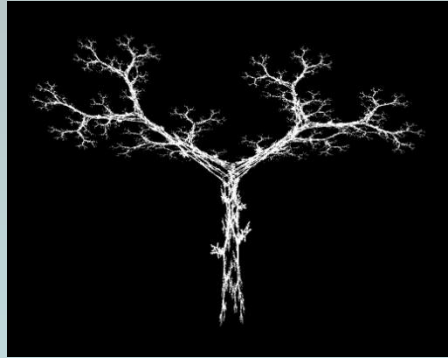
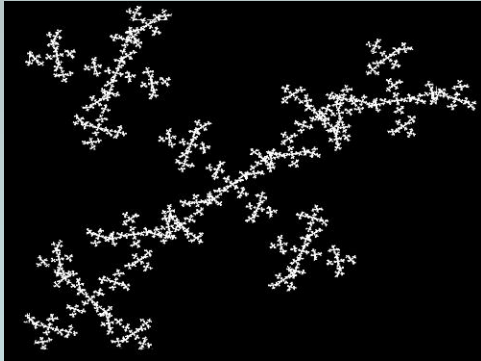
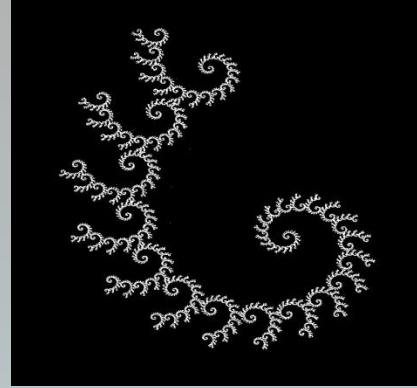
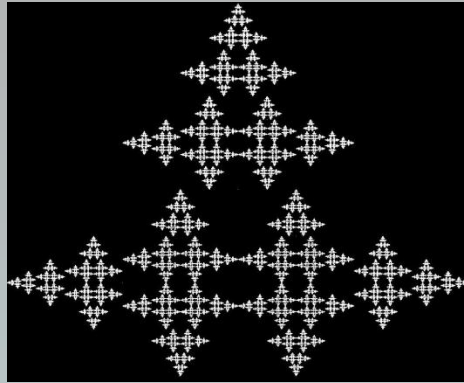
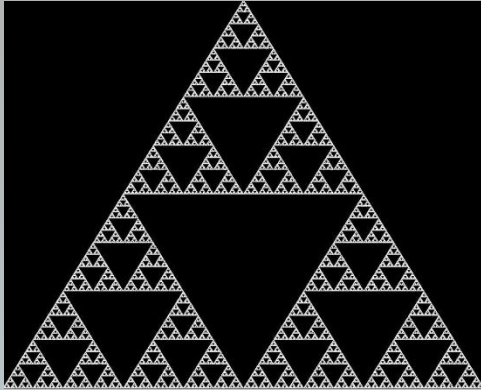
# Fractals and the Chaos Game

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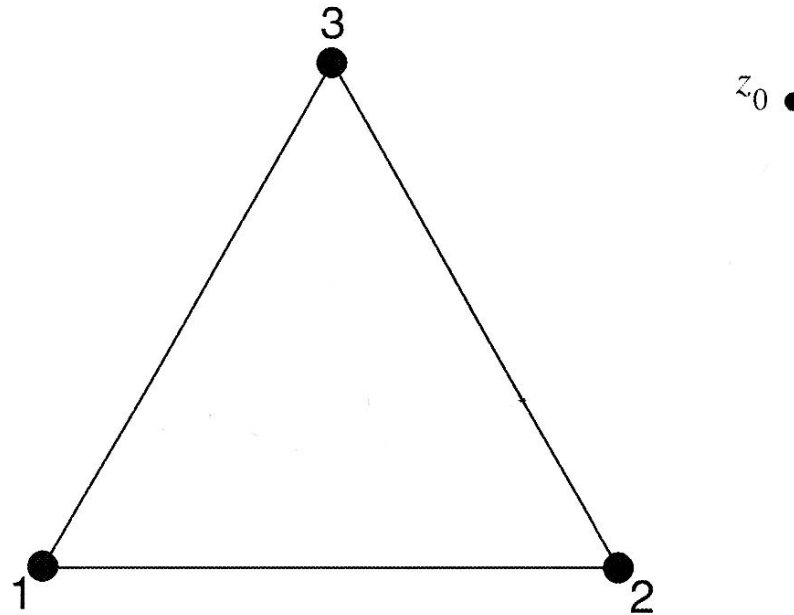
# Fractals



# A Game.....

Sierpinski (Triangle)

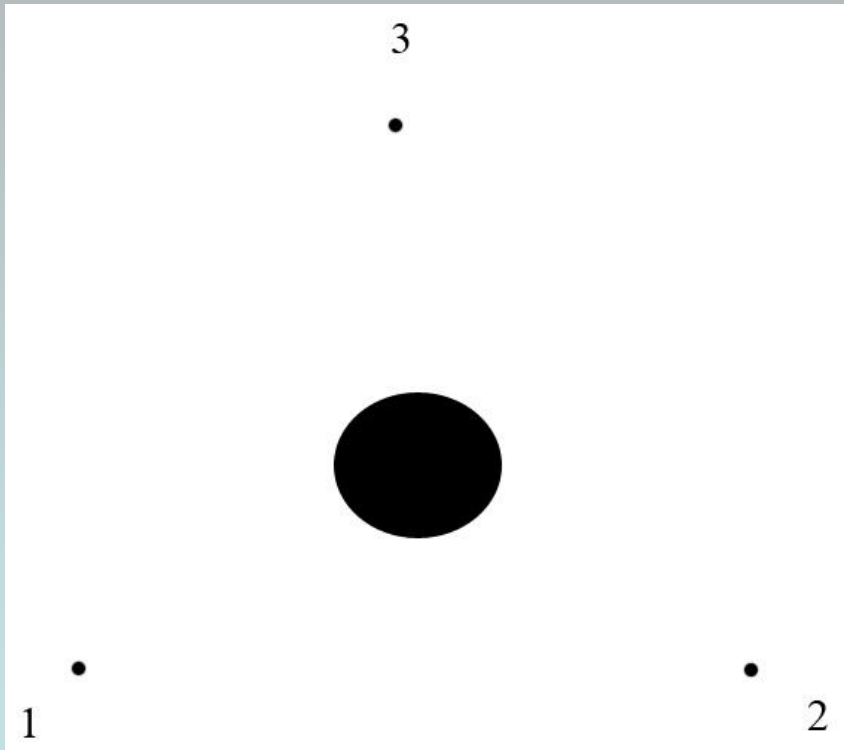
- three pins 1, 2, 3, arranged at vertices of equilateral triangle
- choose random number  $s_i$  from  $\{1, 2, 3\}$
- move  $1/2$  distance from current game point to black pin labelled  $s_i$



Is this a 'random walk'?

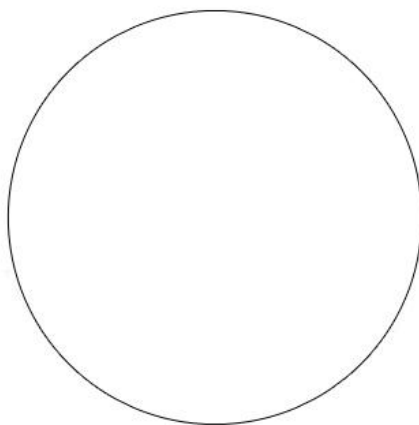
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For example, a game point will never land in this circle





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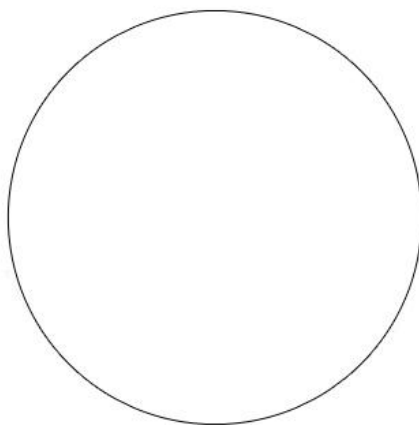
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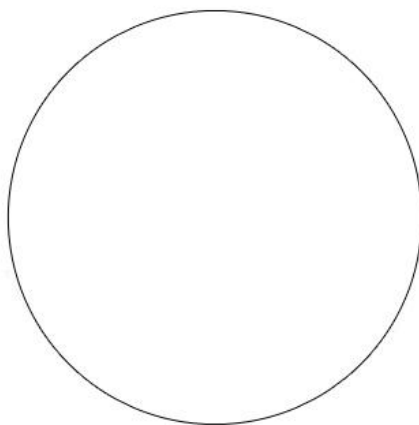


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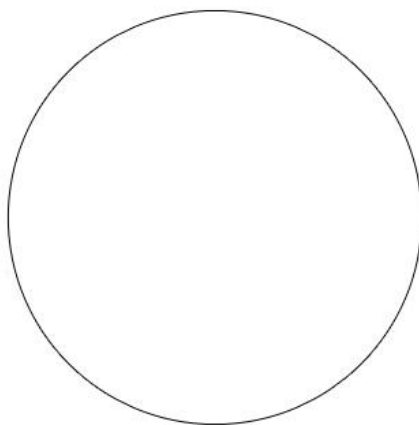
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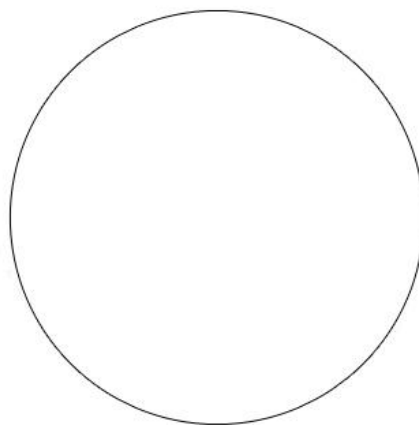
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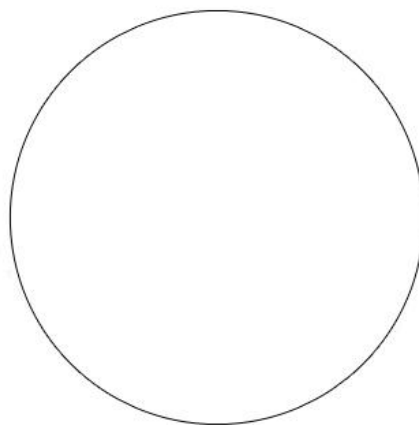
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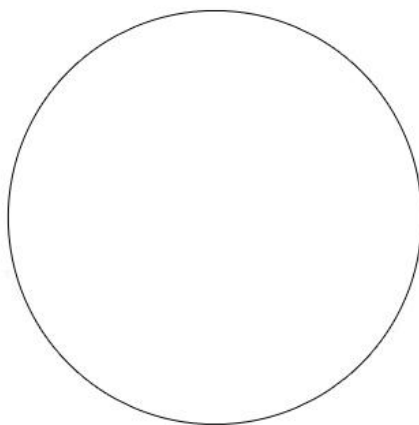
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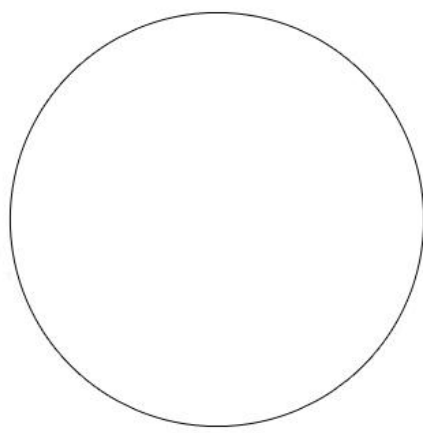
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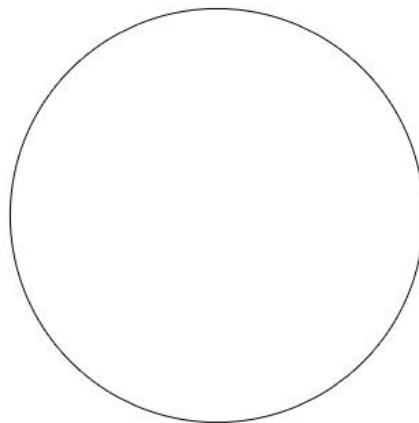
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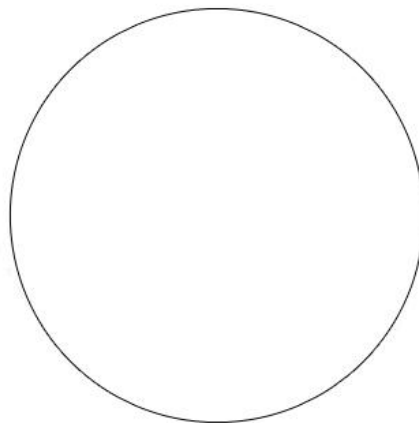
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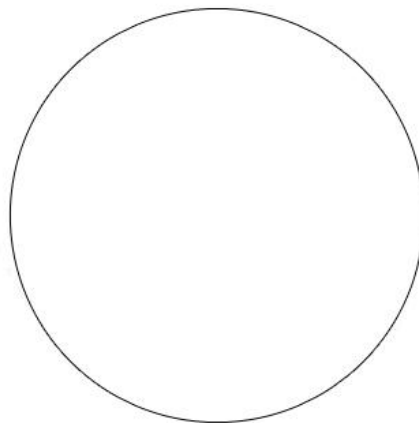
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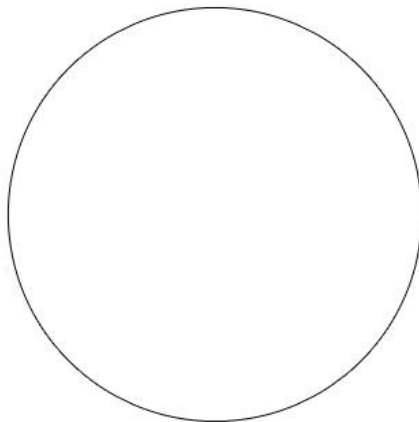
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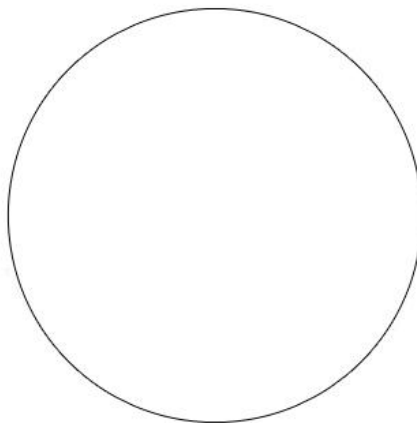
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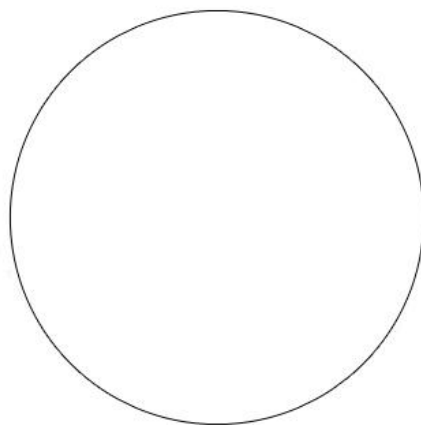


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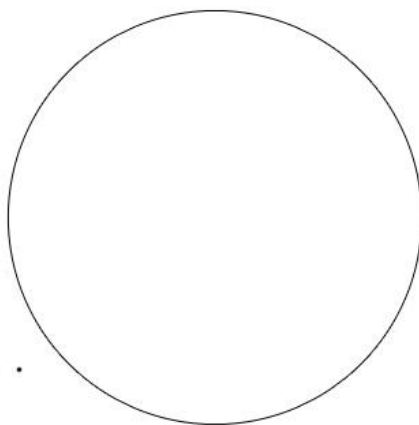
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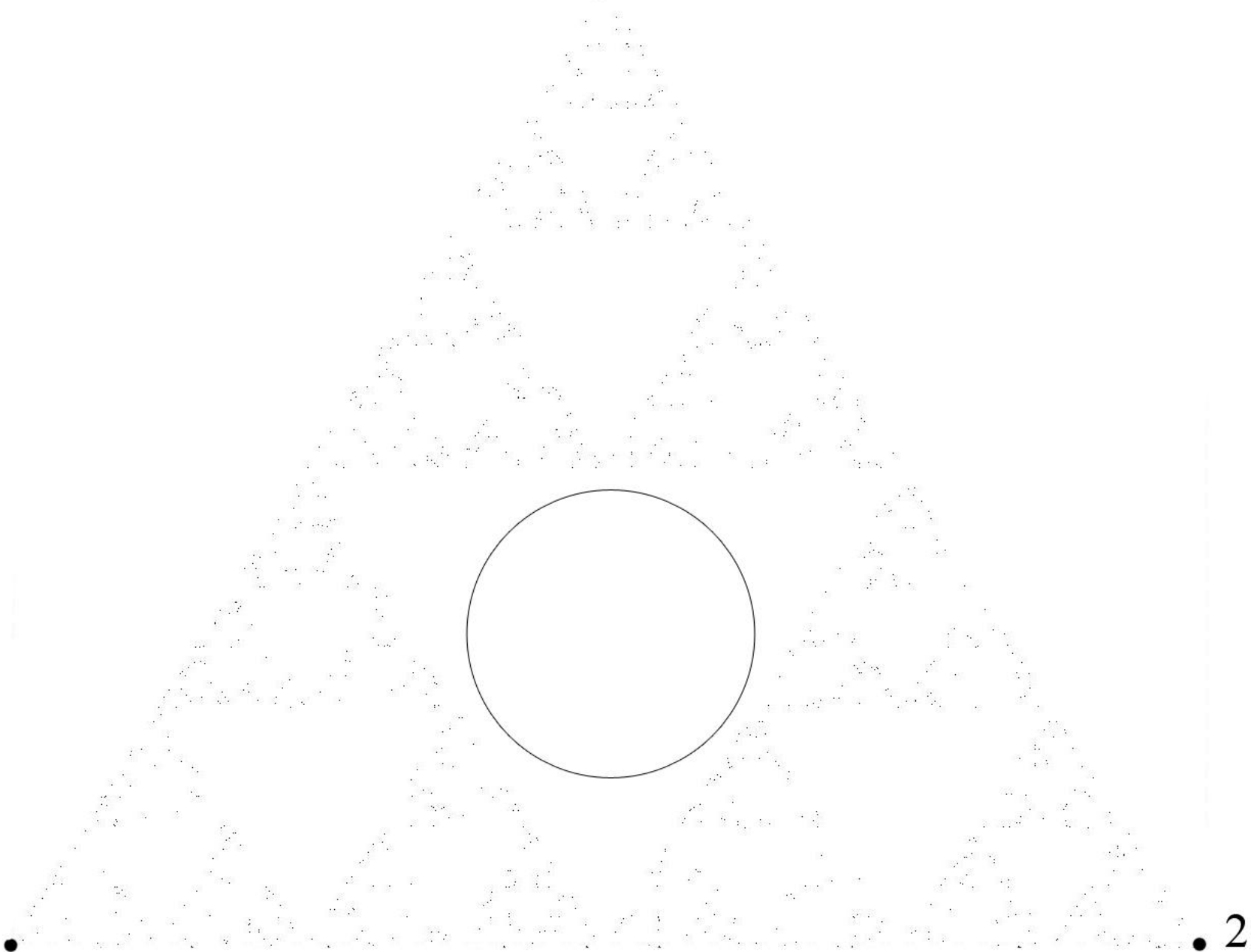
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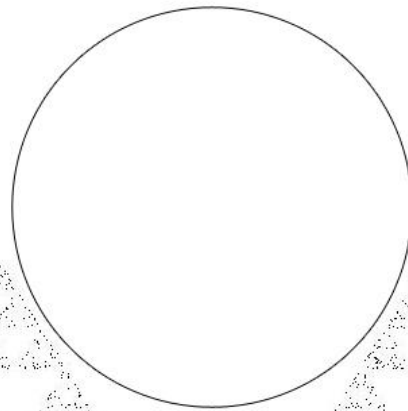


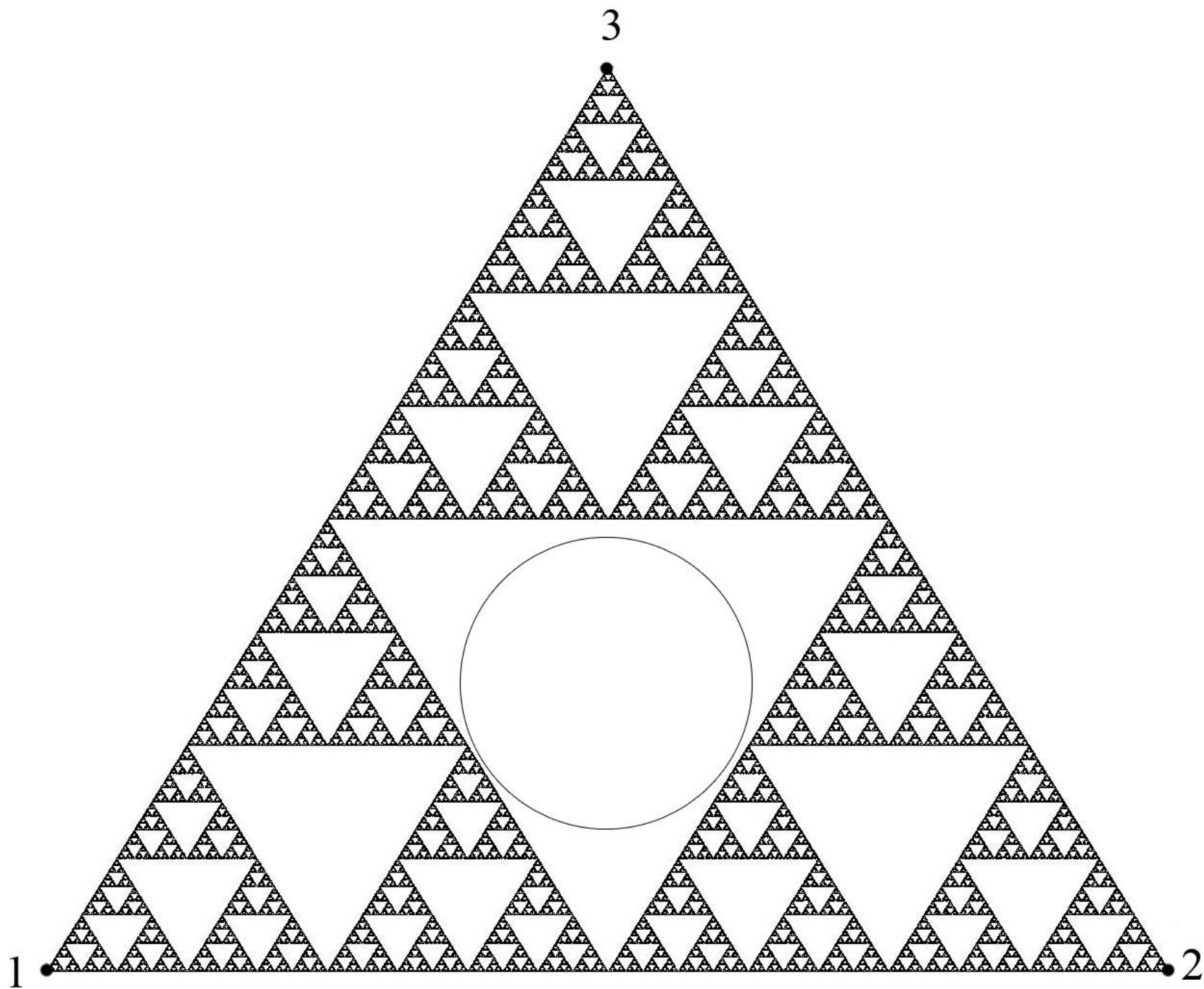
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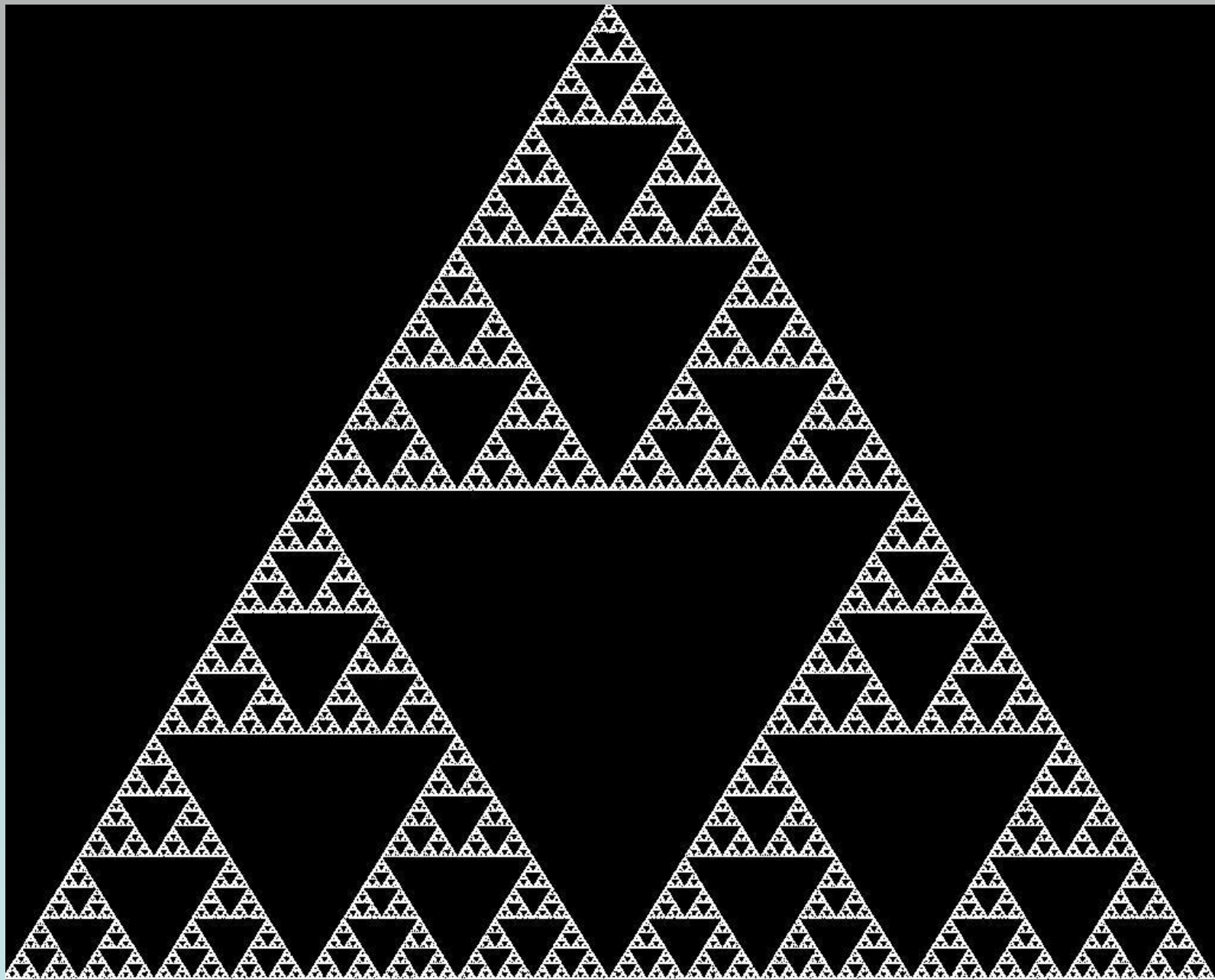
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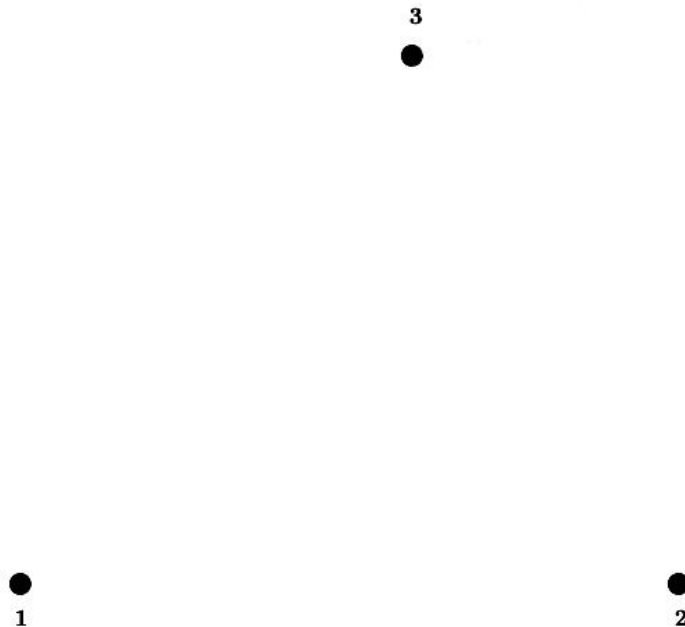






## Sierpinski variation

- three pins; 1 and 2 along a horizontal line, 3 above
- choose random number  $s_i$  from  $\{1, 2, 3\}$
- actions;
  - $s_i = 1$ ; move  $1/2$  distance to pin labelled 1
  - $s_i = 2$ ; move  $1/2$  distance to pin labelled 2
  - $s_i = 3$ ; move  $1/2$  distance to pin 3 and then rotate counterclockwise about pin 3 by 90 degrees





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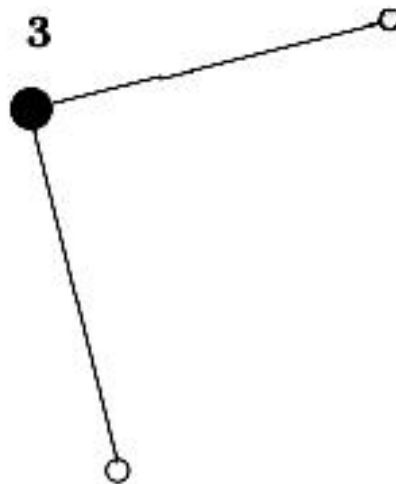
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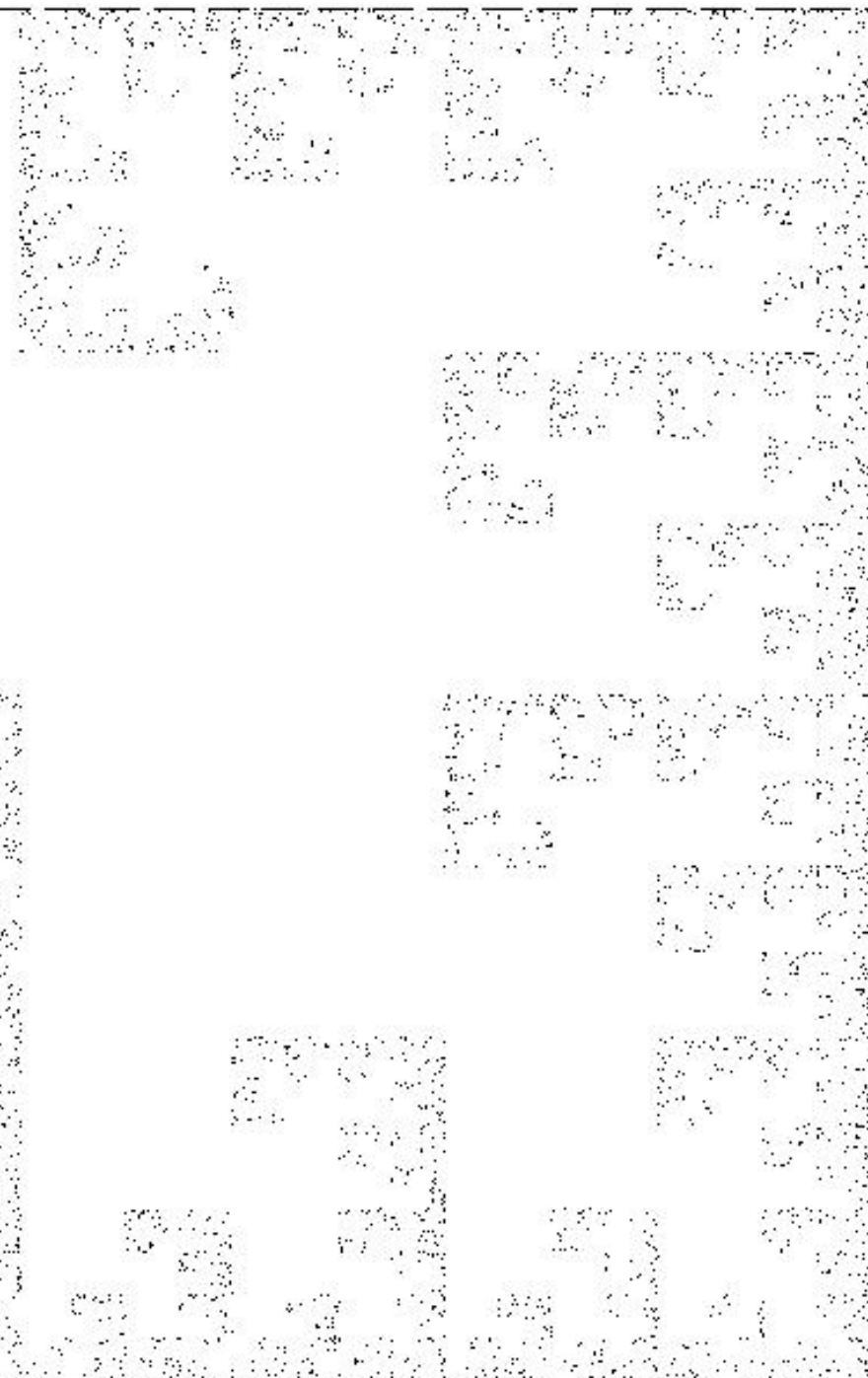




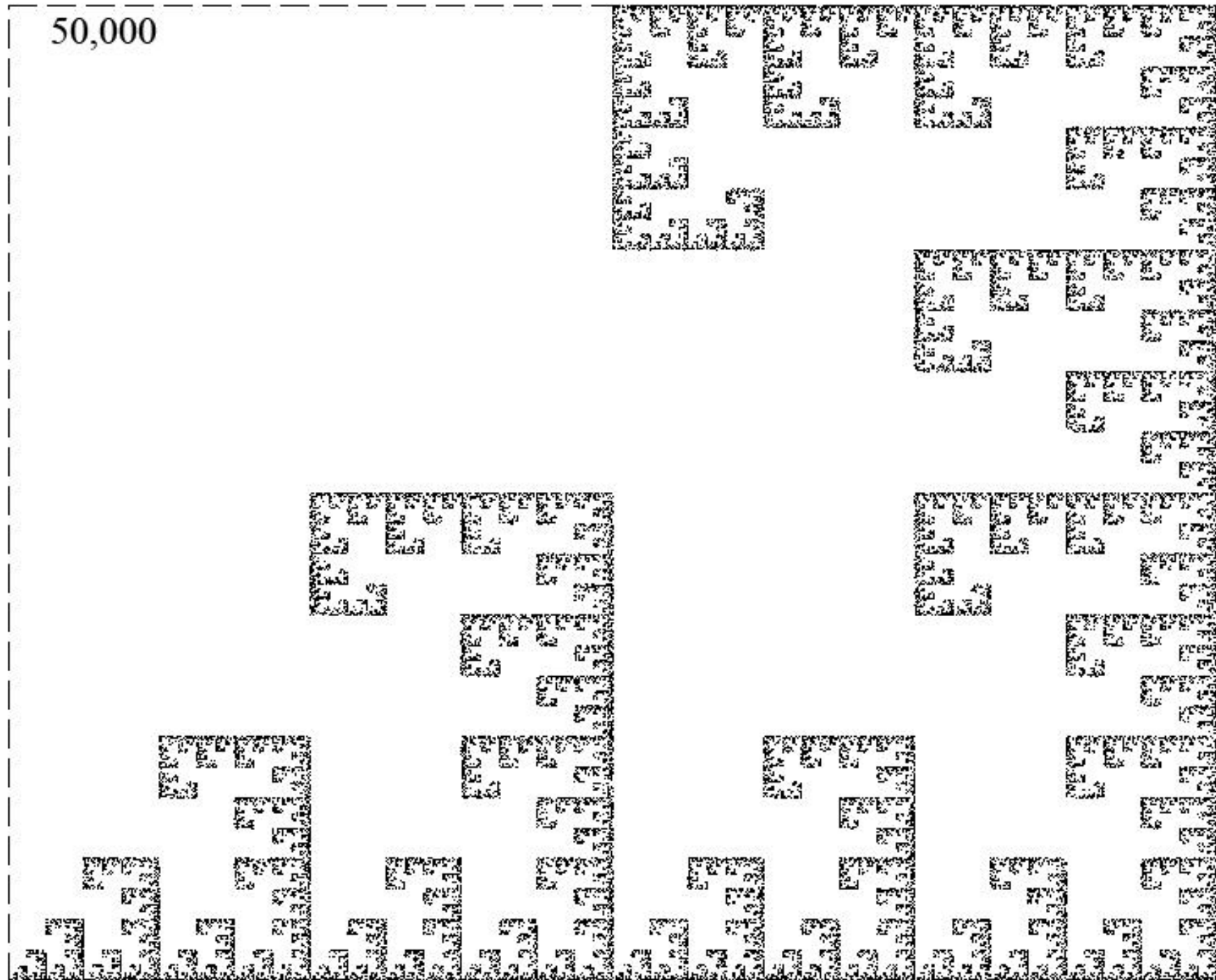


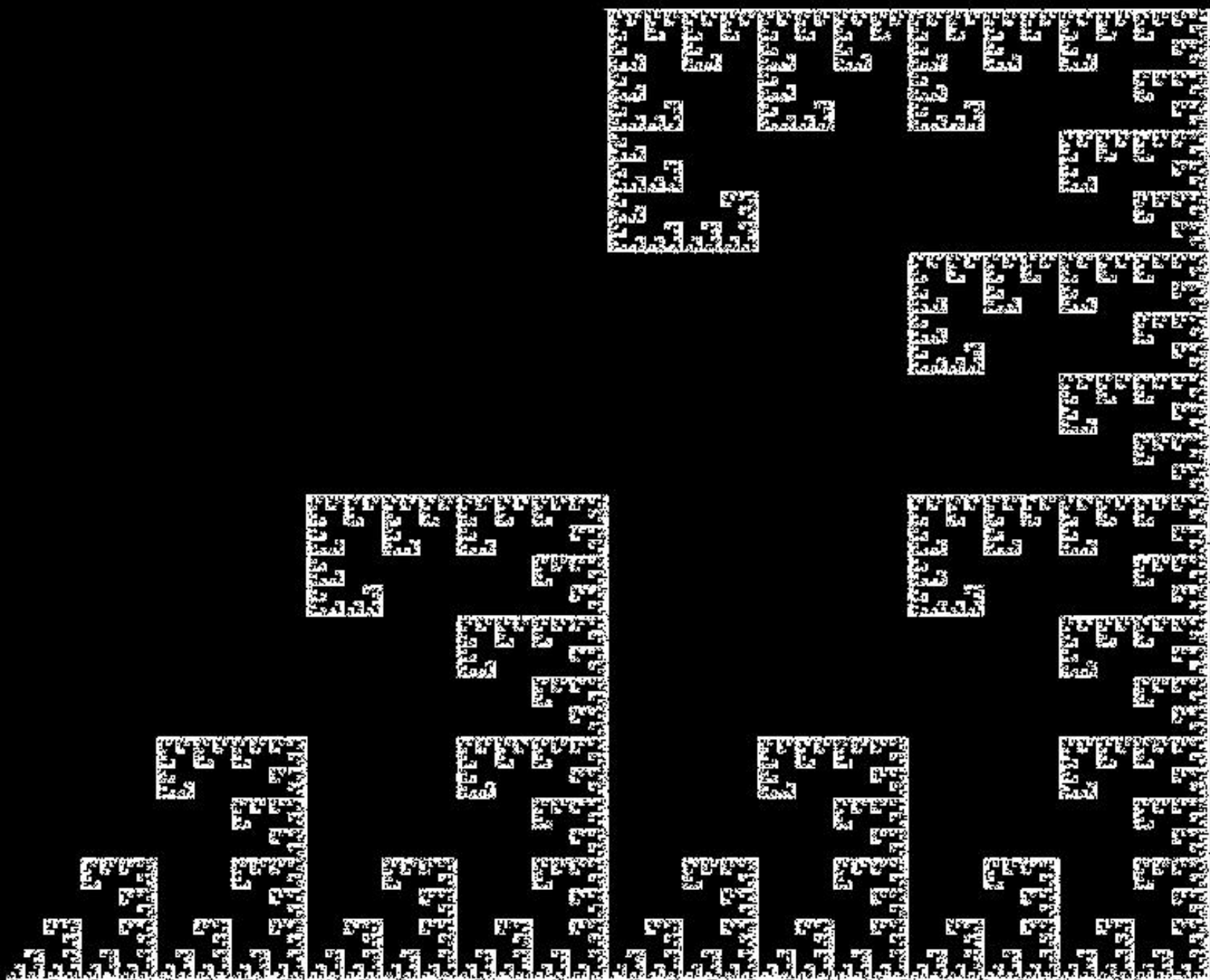
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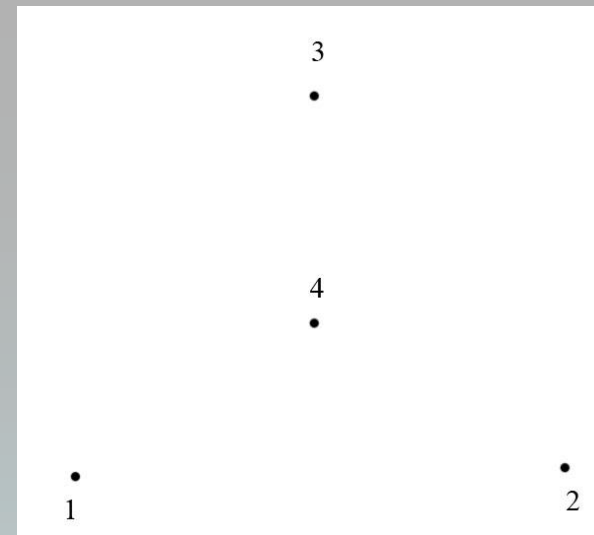
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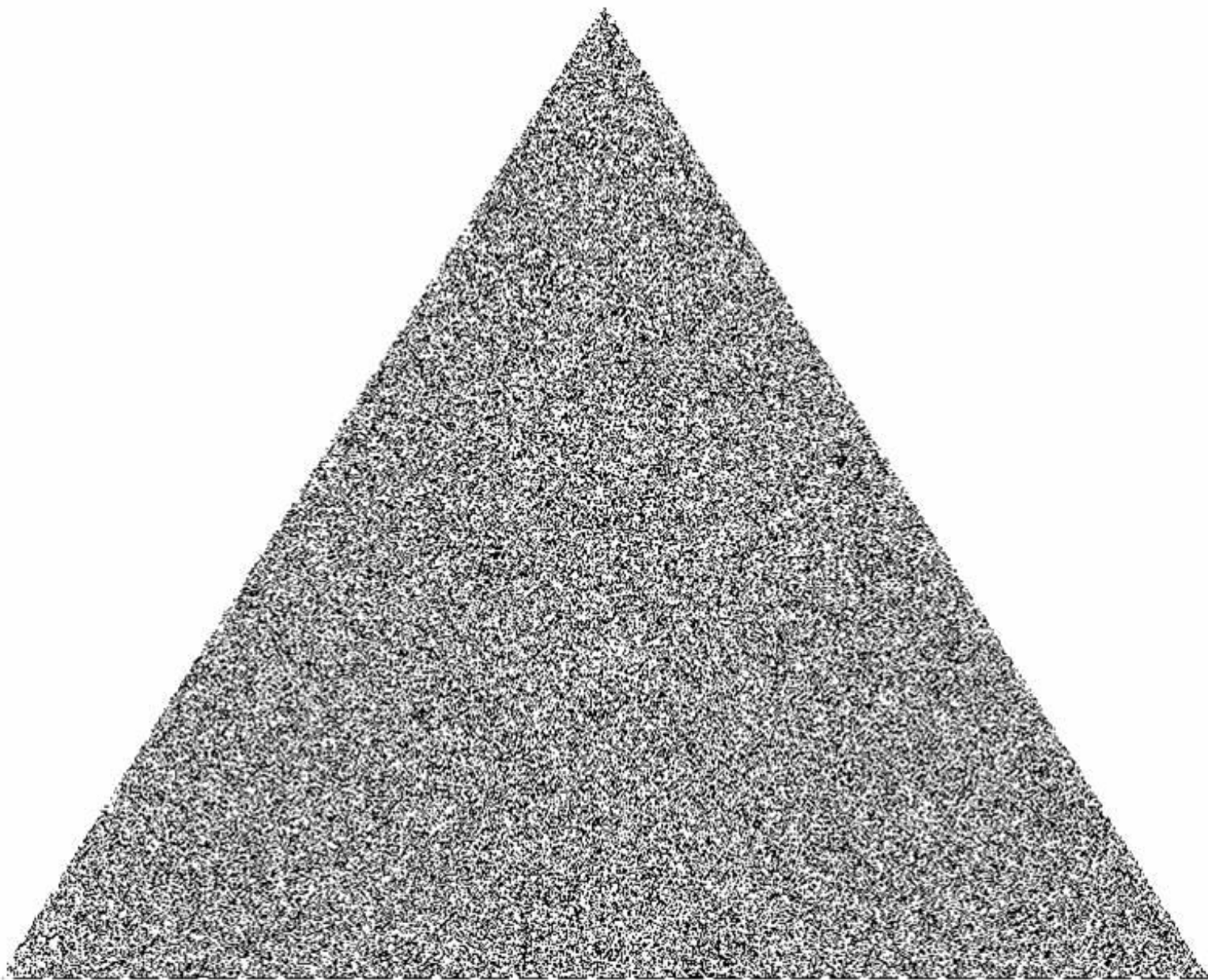


# Another chaos game



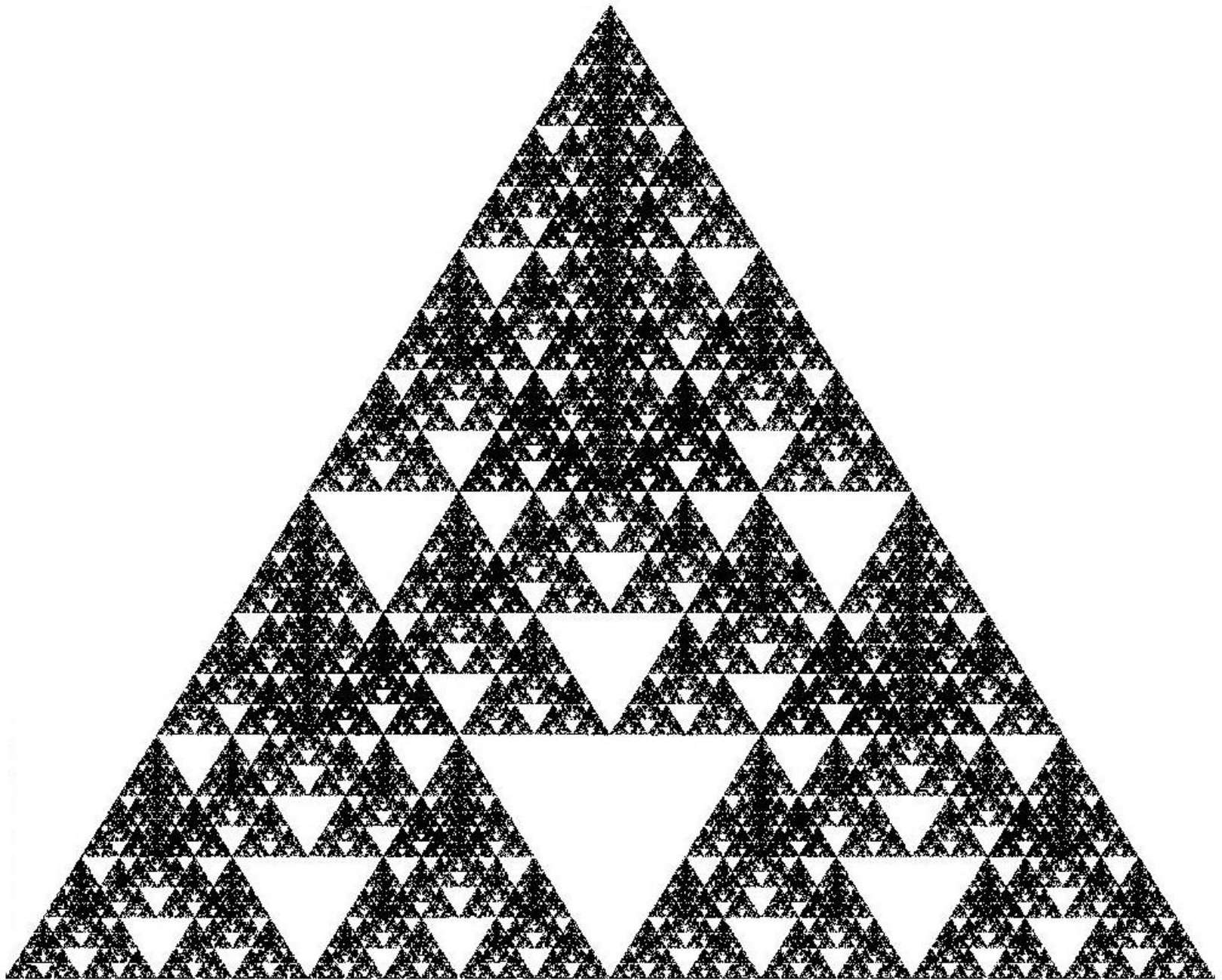
## Full Triangle

- three pins 1, 2, 3, arranged at vertices of equilateral triangle, pin 4 at the centre
- choose random number  $s_i$  from  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$
- actions;
  - $s_i = 1, 2, 3$ ; move  $1/2$  distance from current game point to pin  $s_i$
  - $s_i = 4$ ; move  $1/2$  distance from current game point to pin 4 and then rotate 180 degrees about pin 4

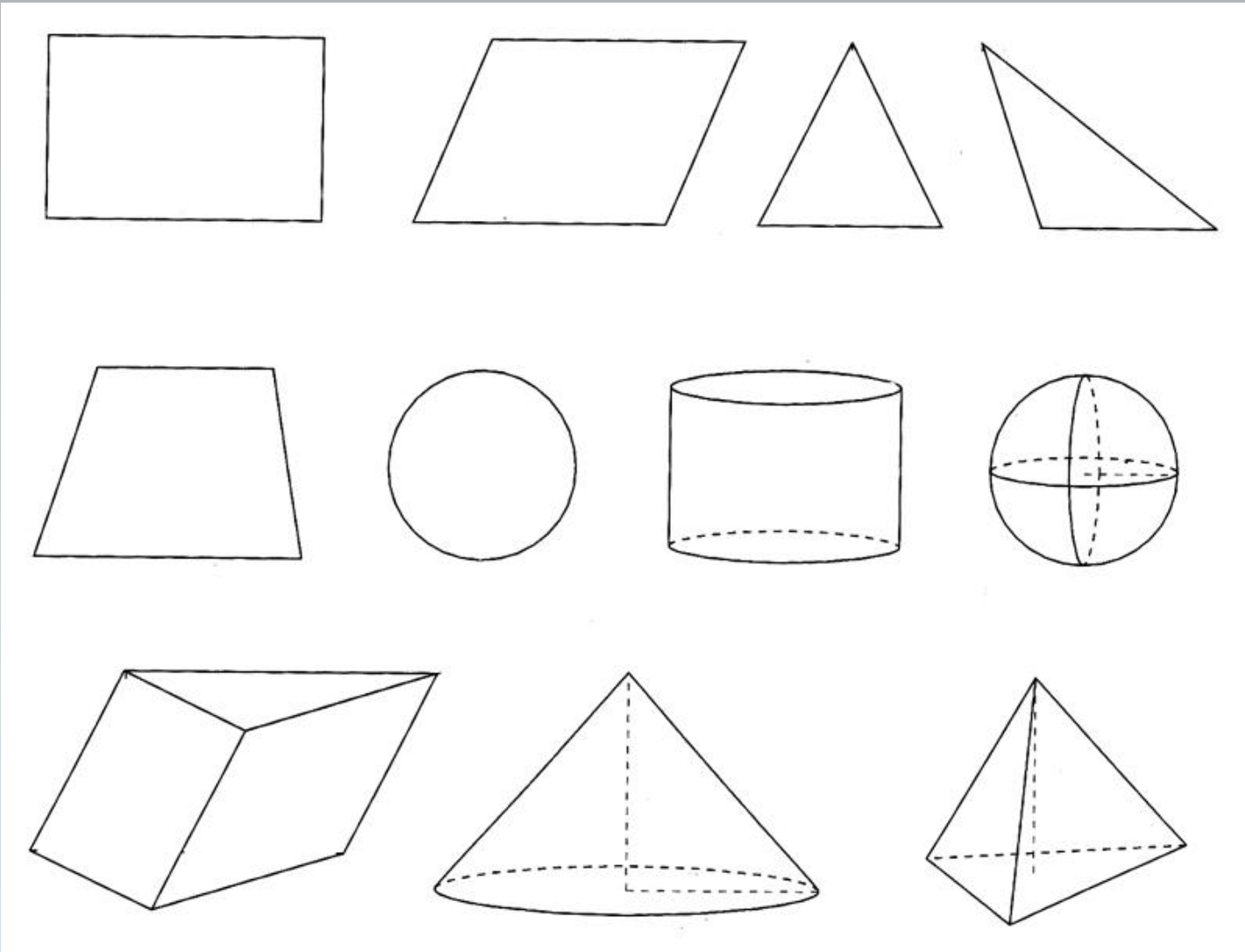


What if action 4 was; “move  $\frac{1}{2}$  distance  
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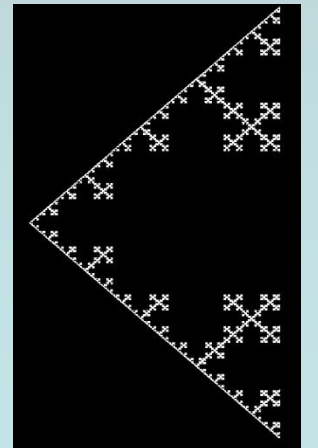
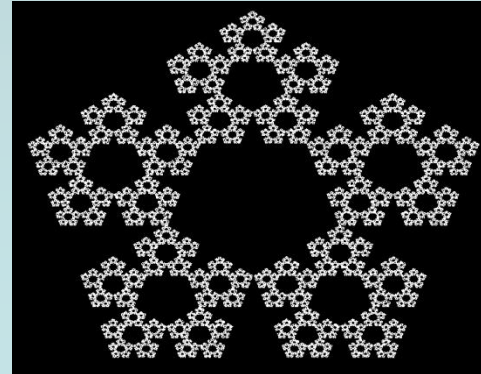
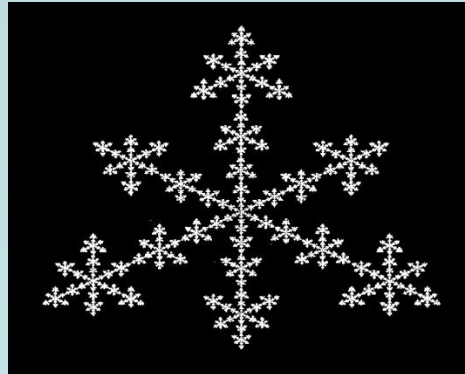
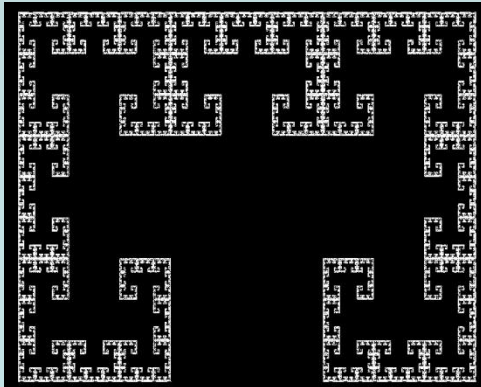
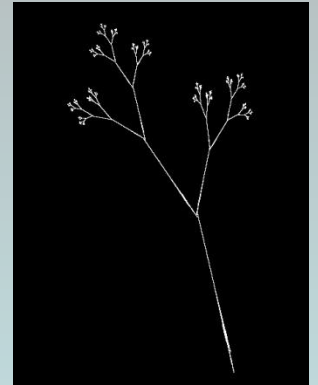
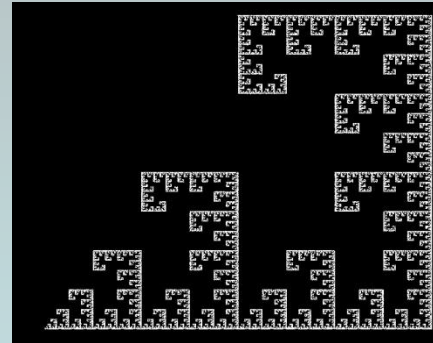
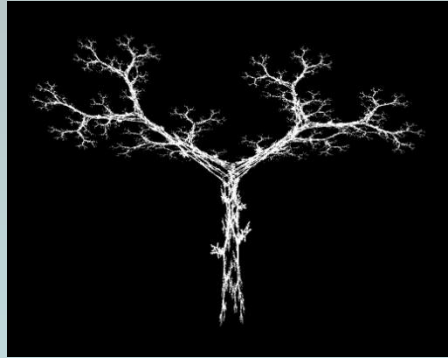
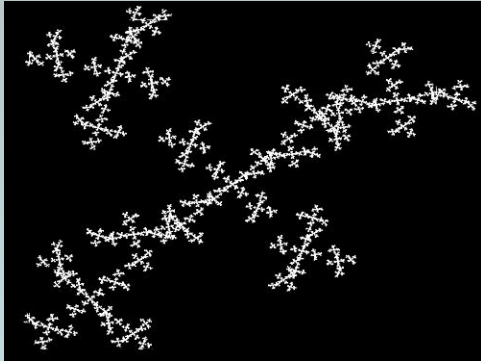
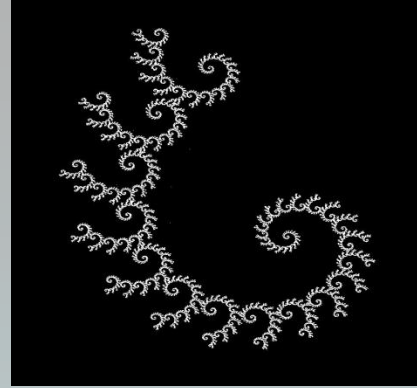
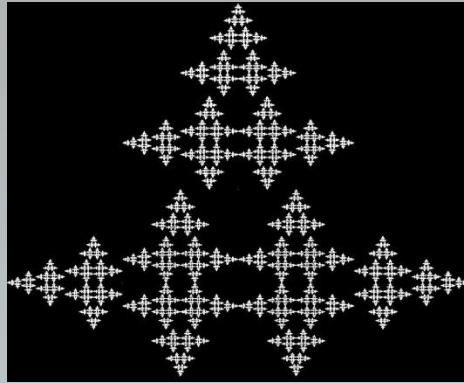
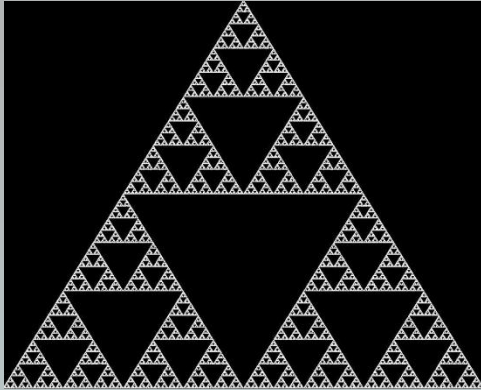




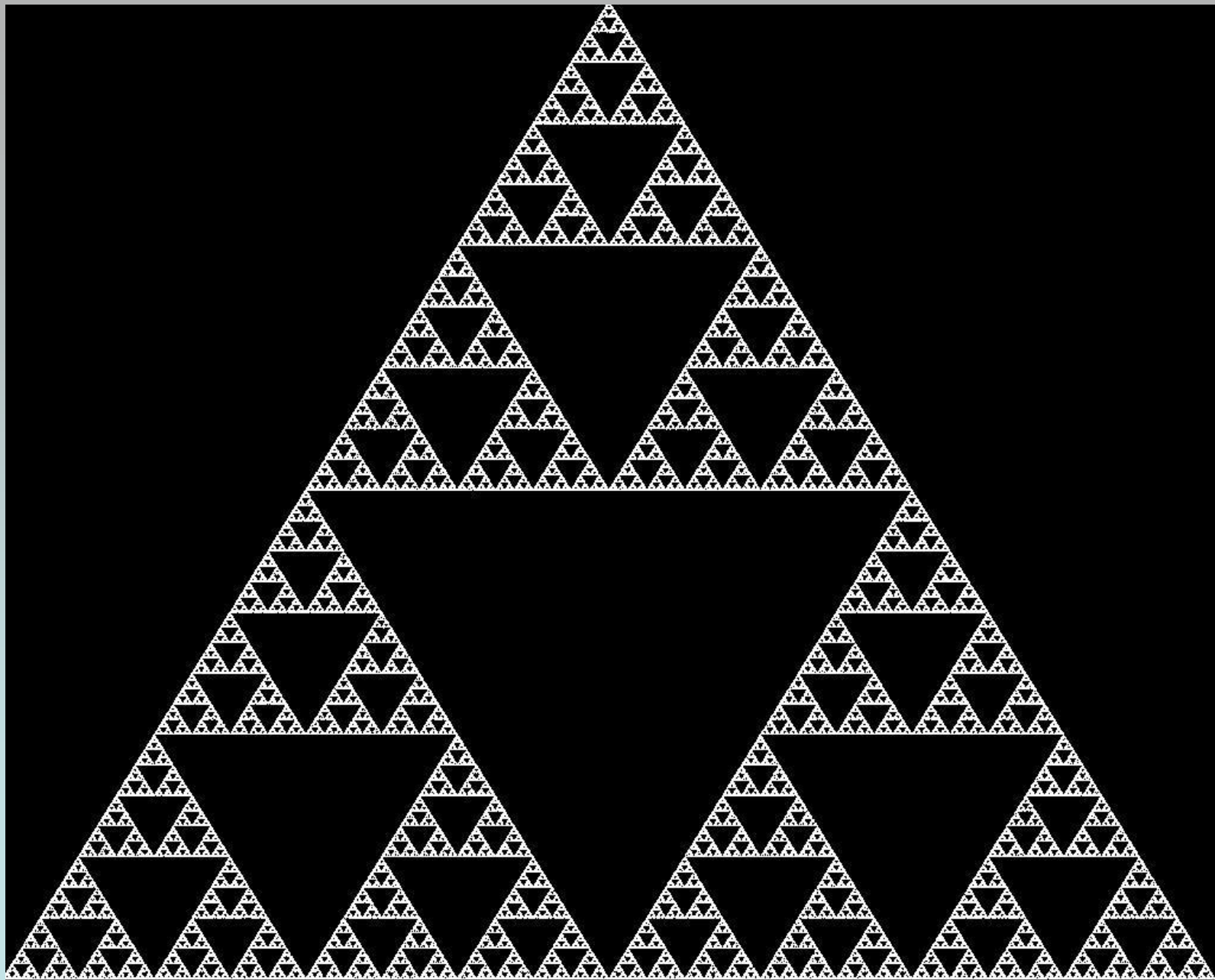
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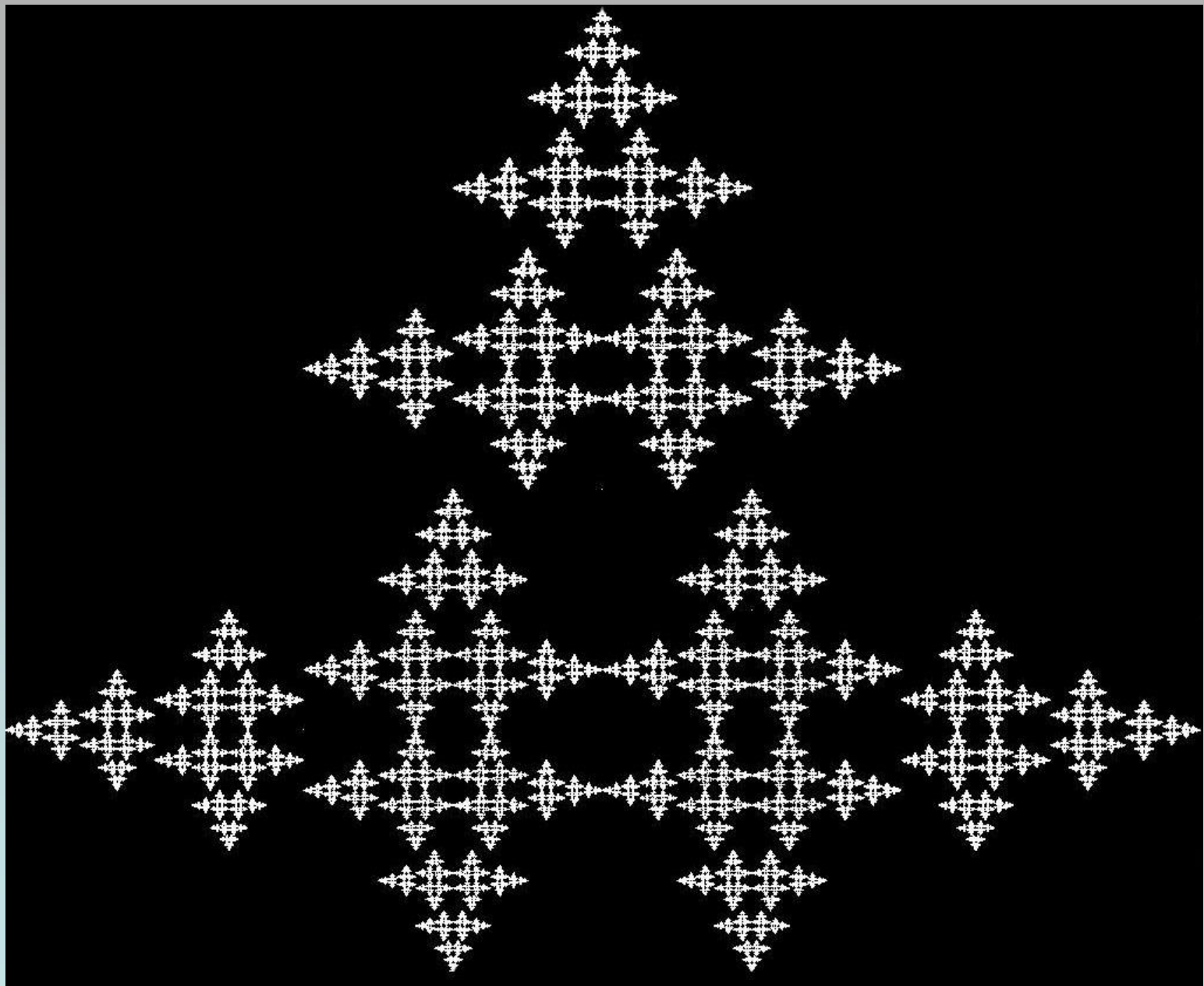


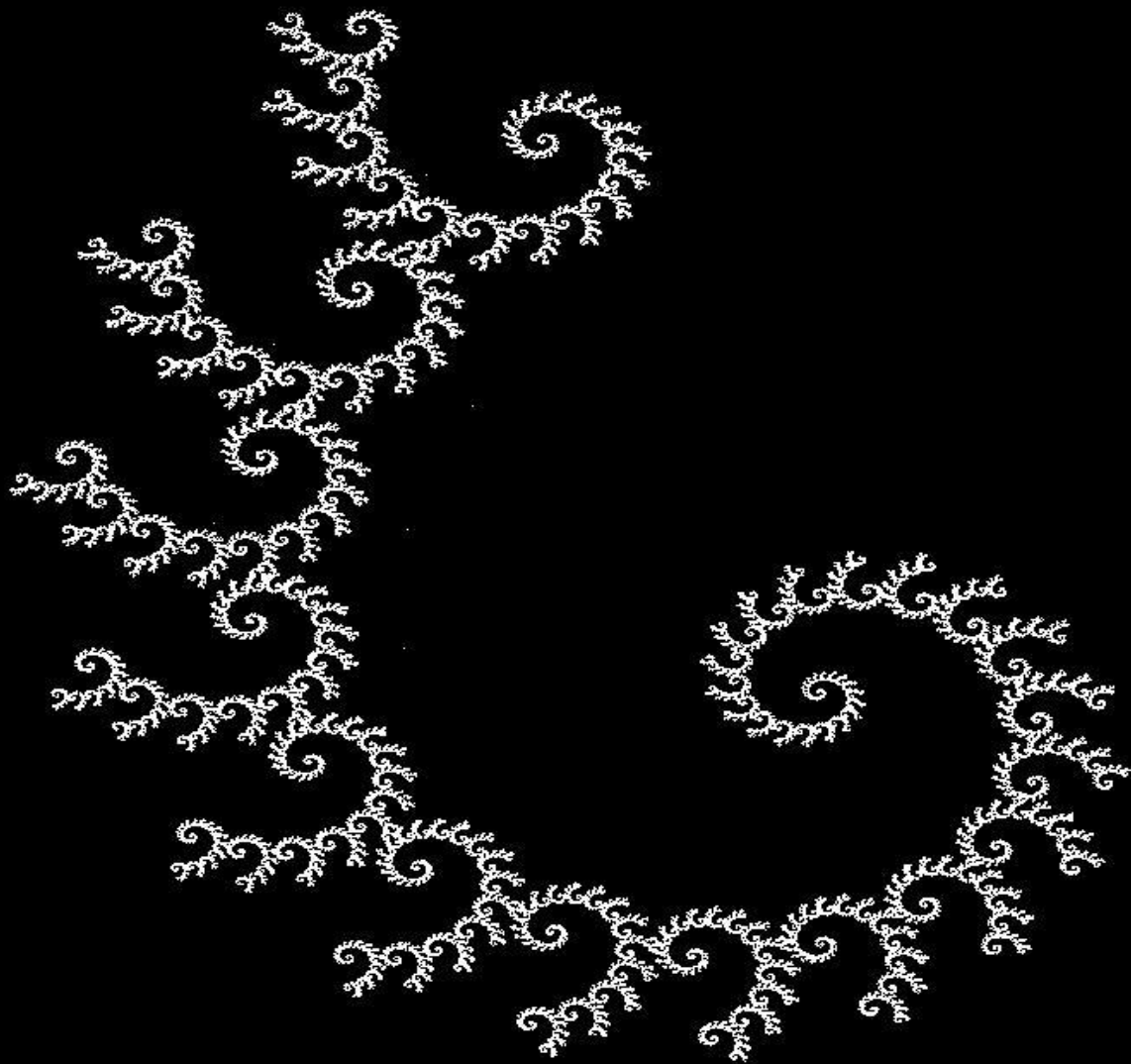
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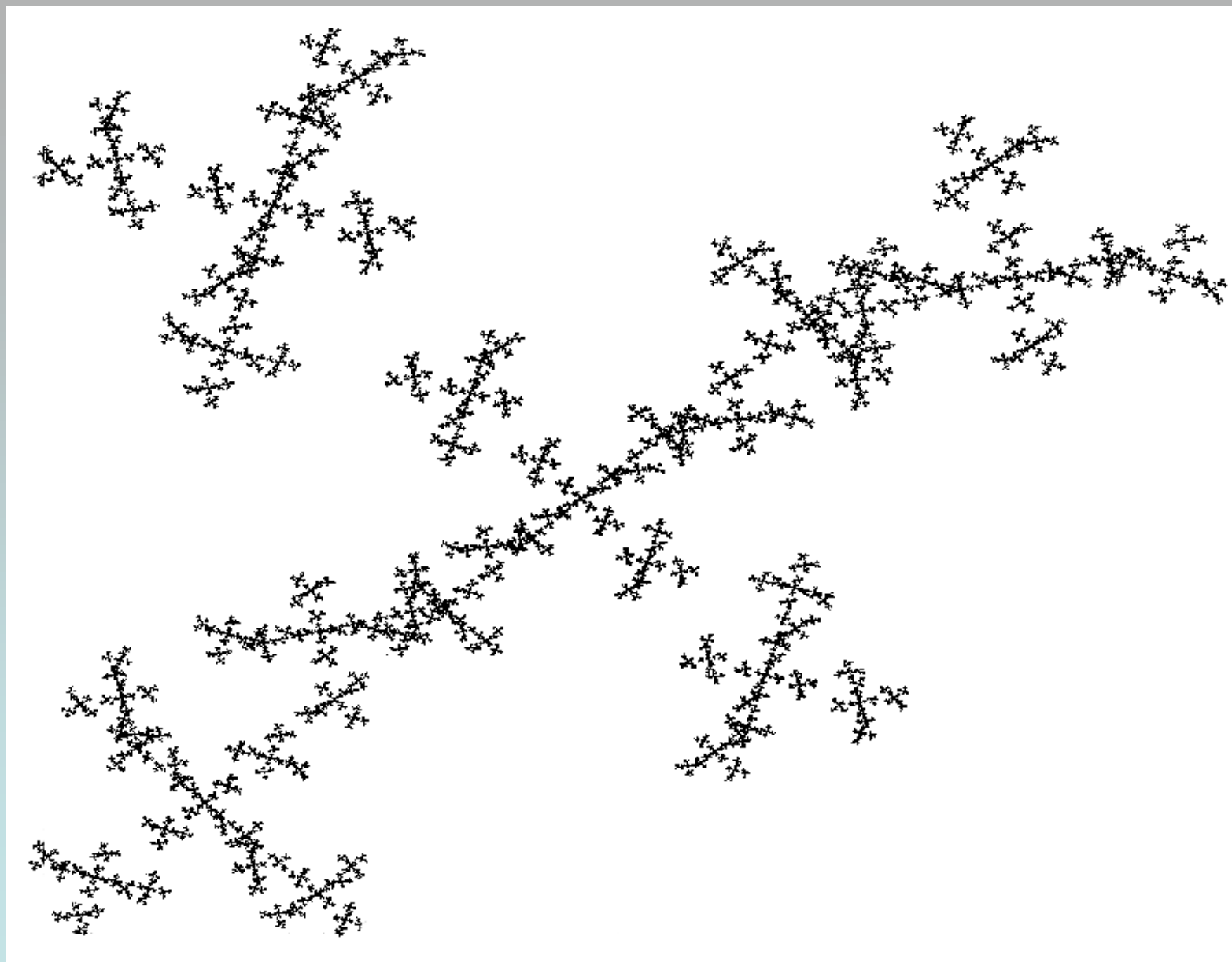




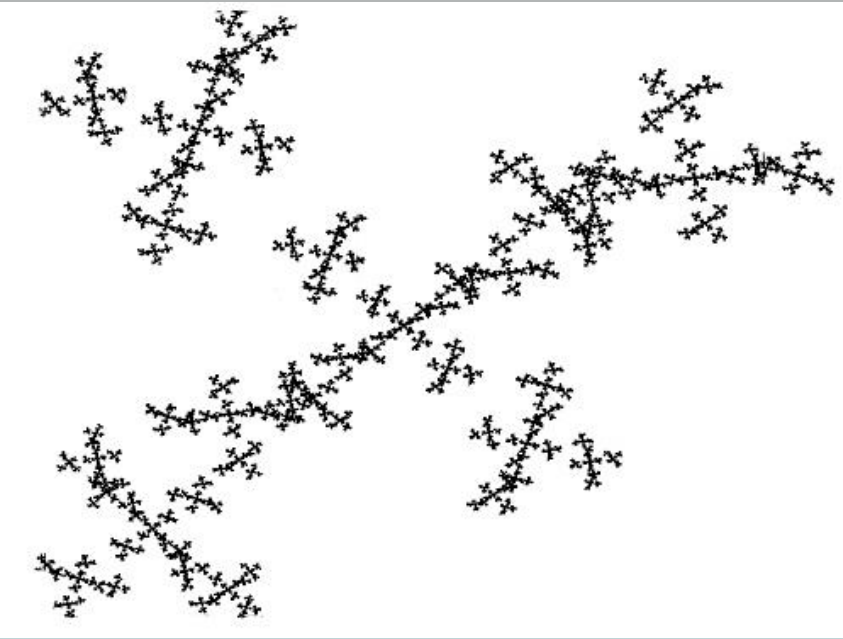








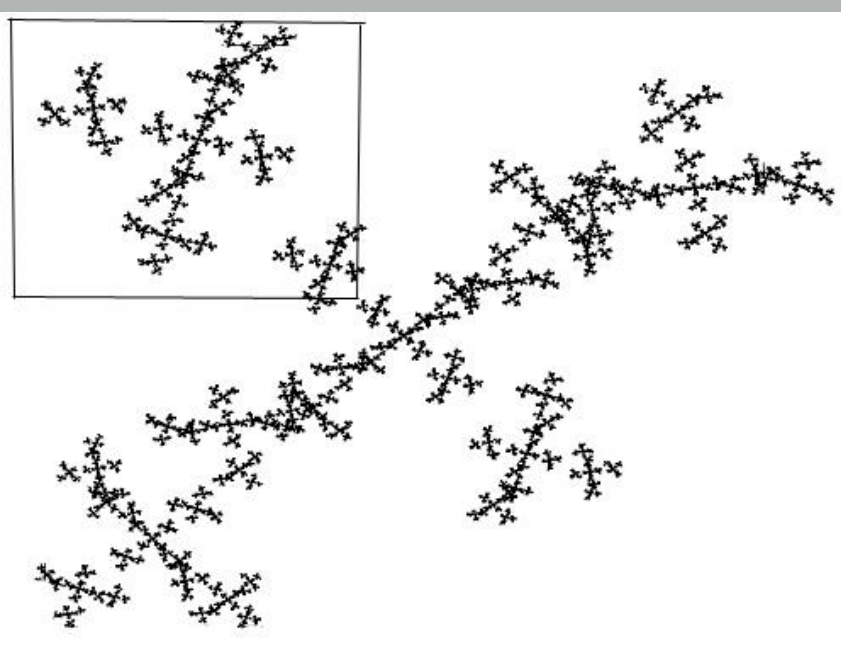
# Self-Similarity



The whole fractal

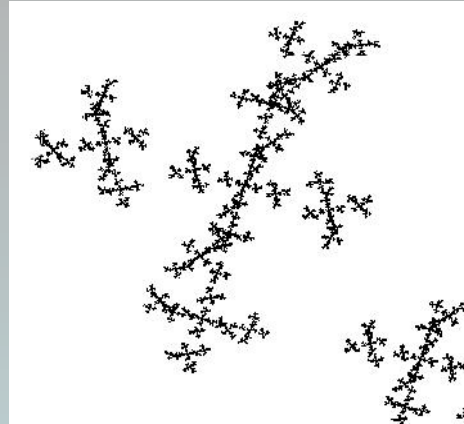
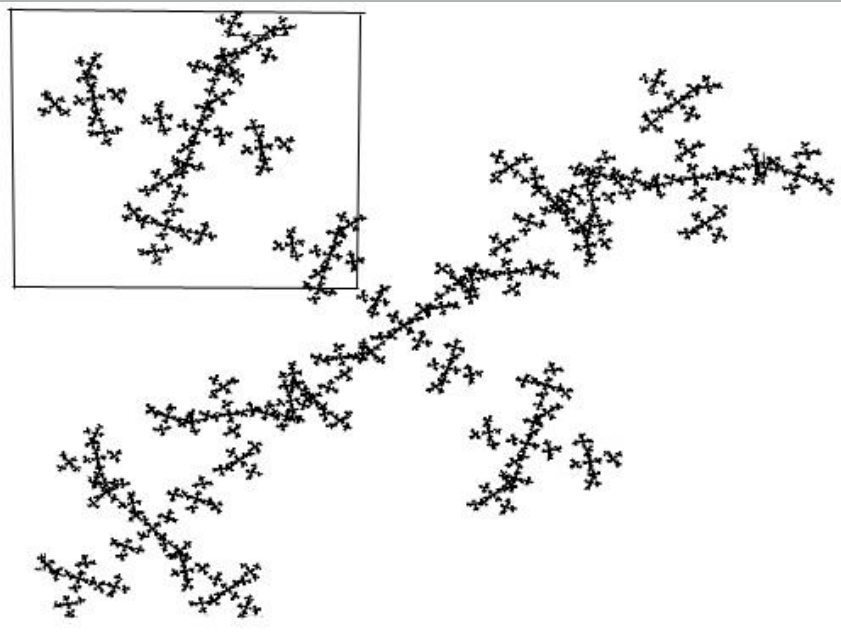


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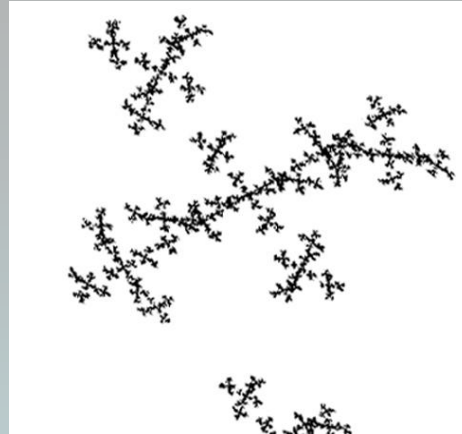
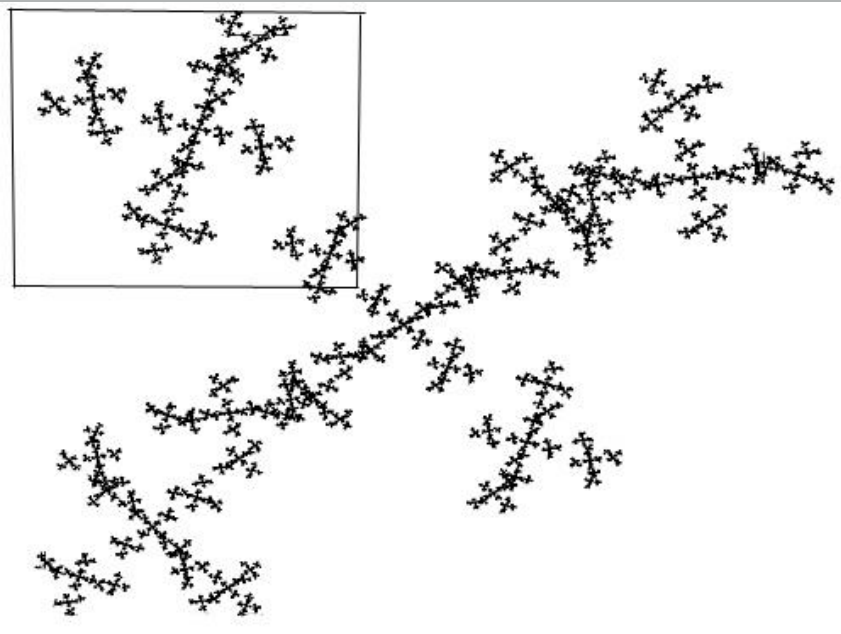


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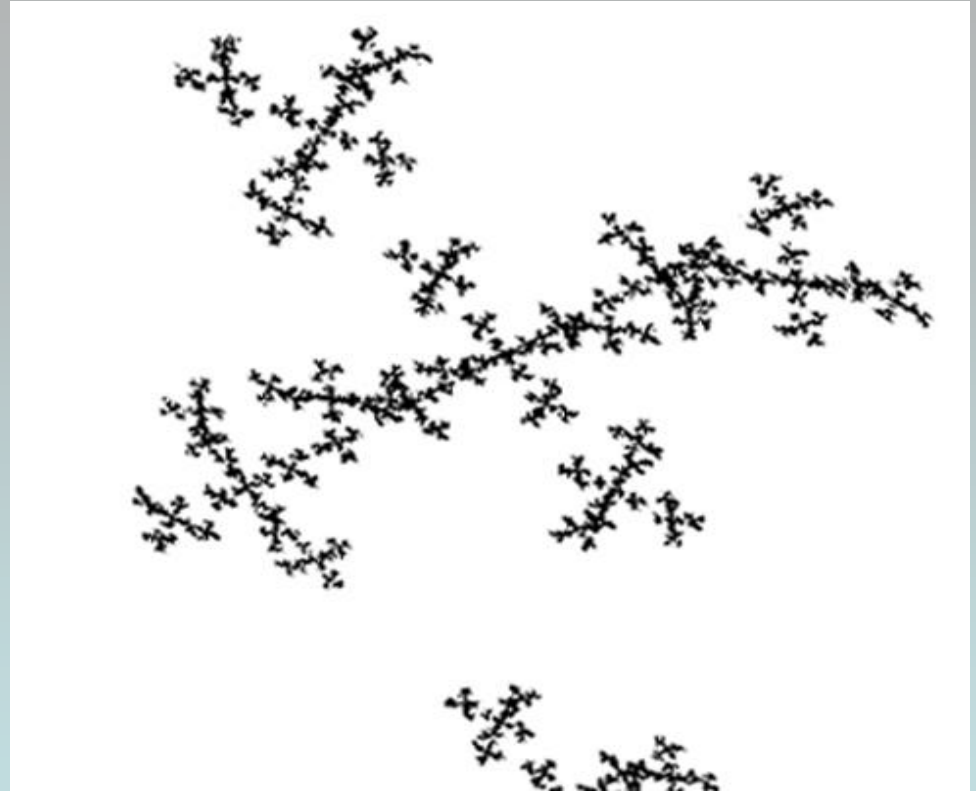
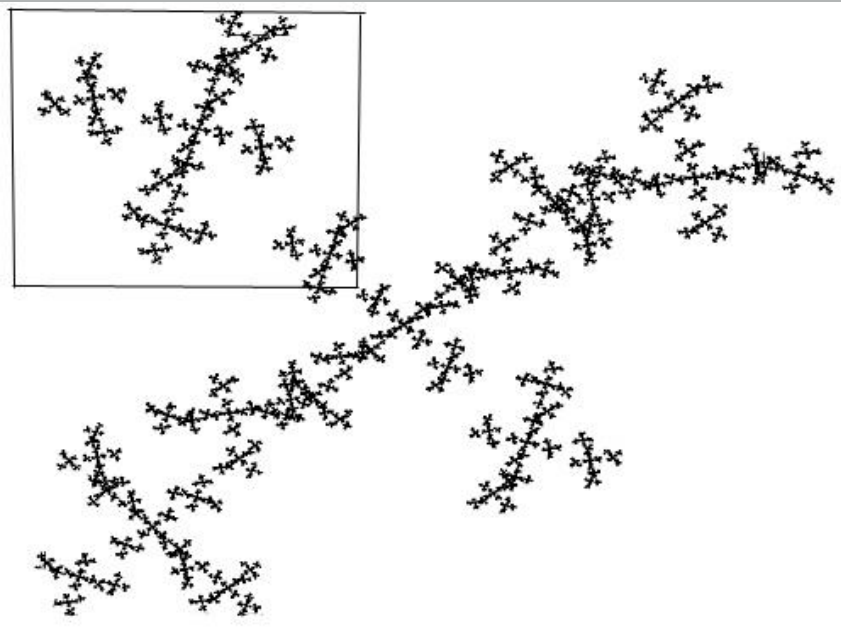


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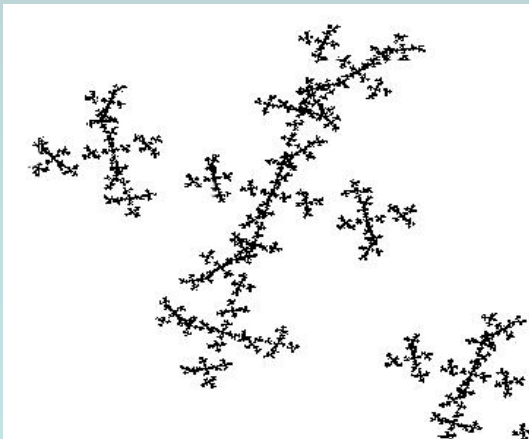
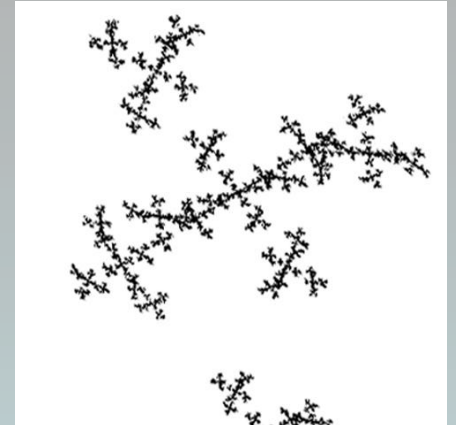
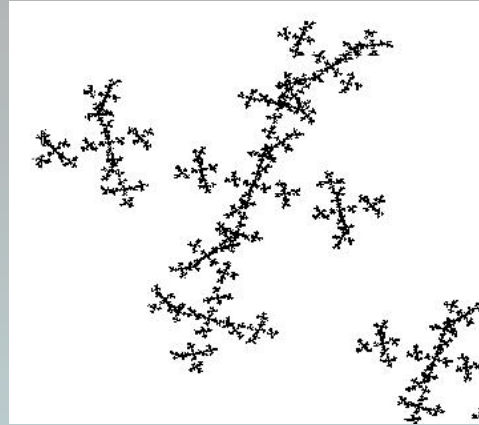
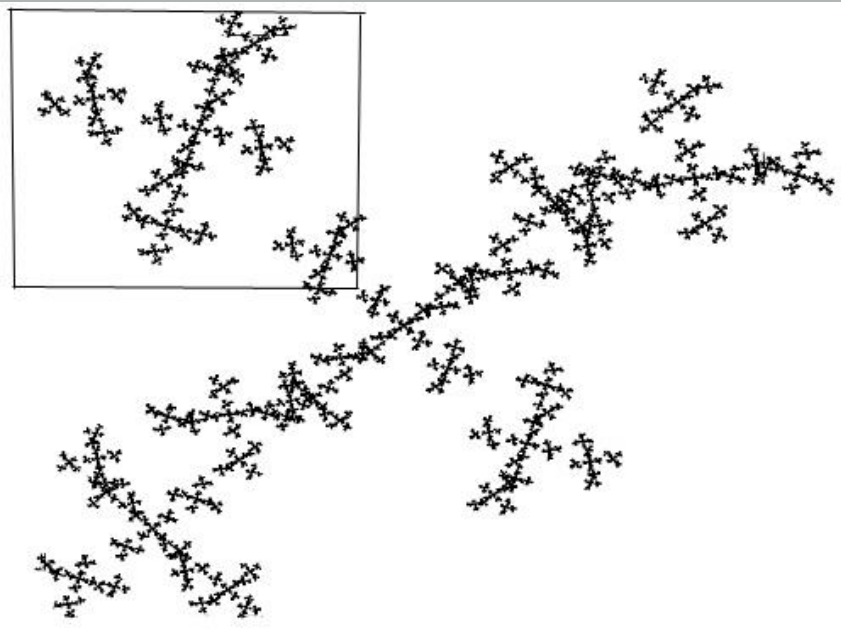
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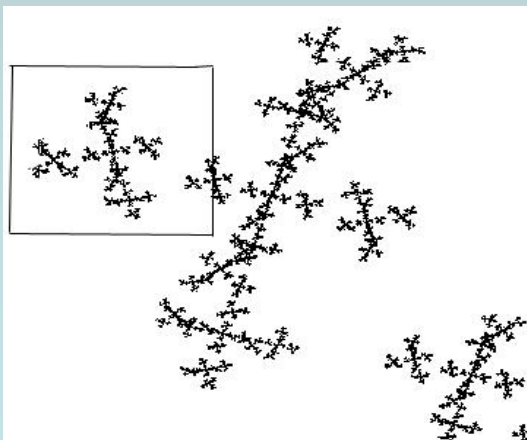
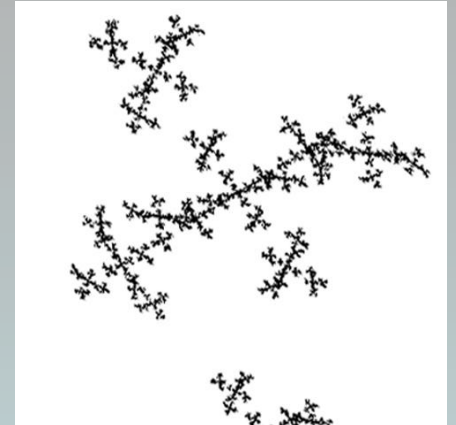
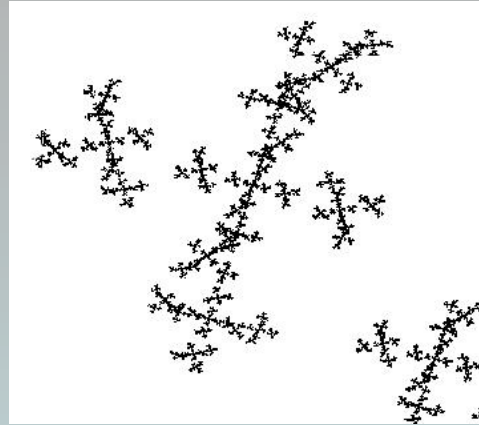
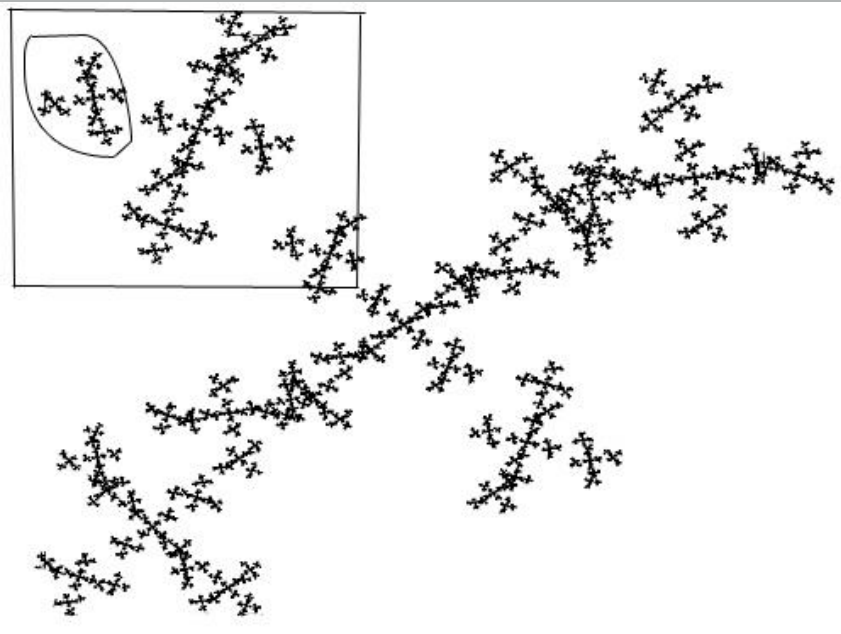
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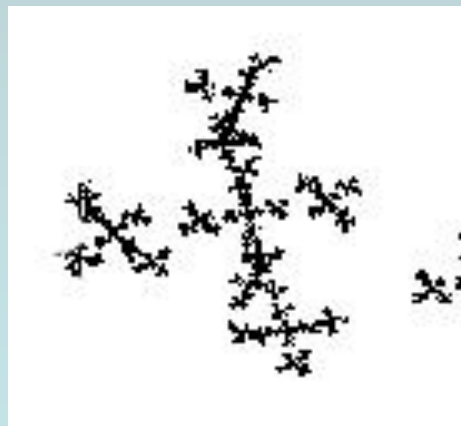
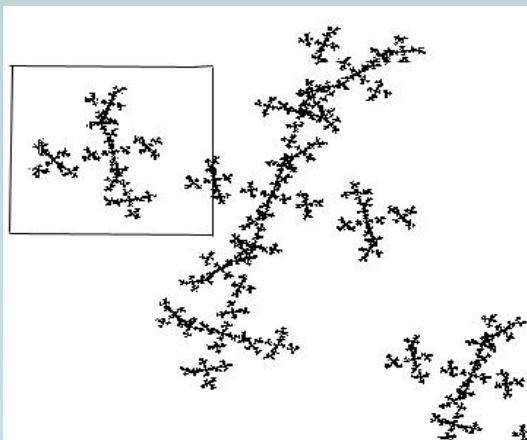
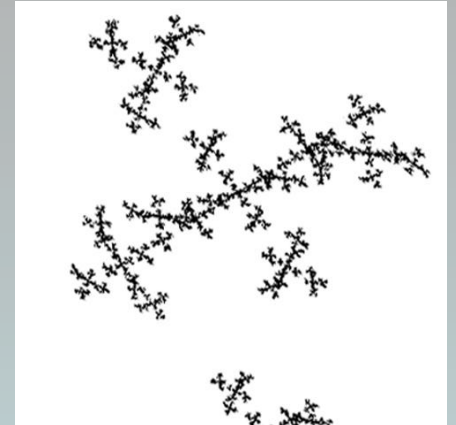
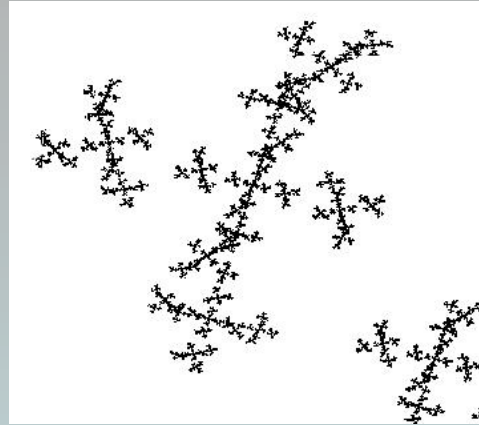
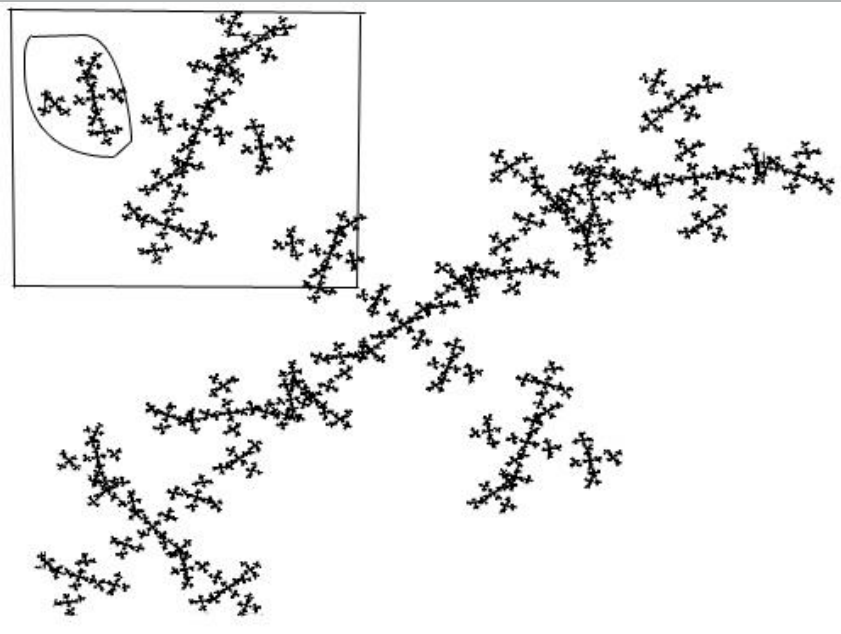
Now continue with that piece

# Self-Similarity



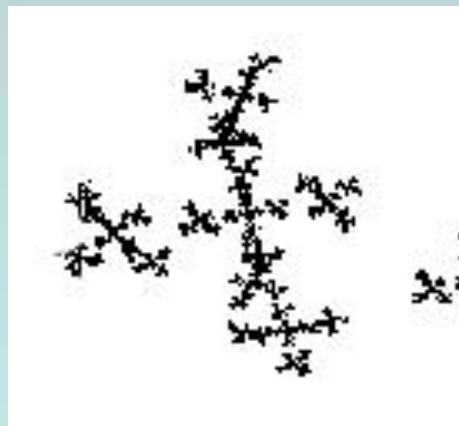
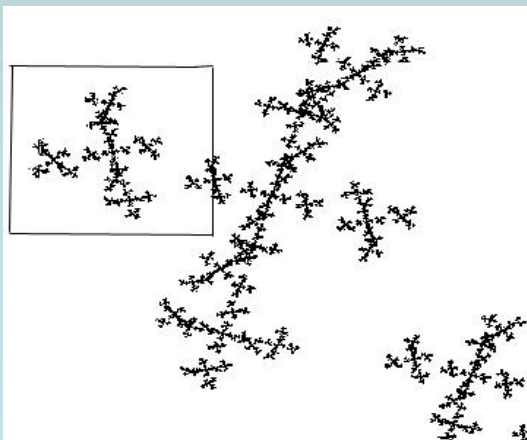
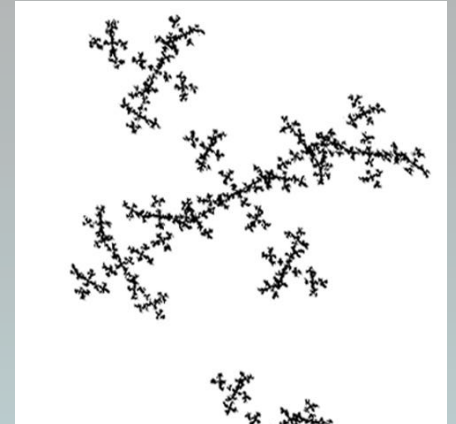
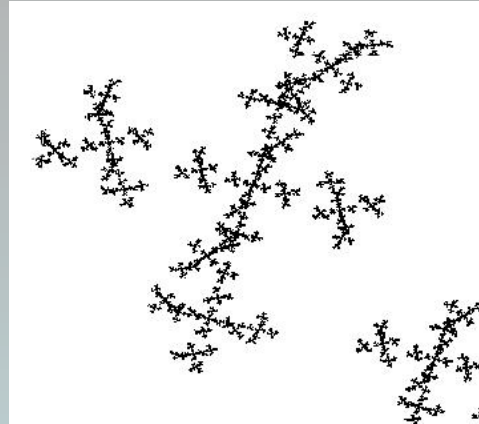
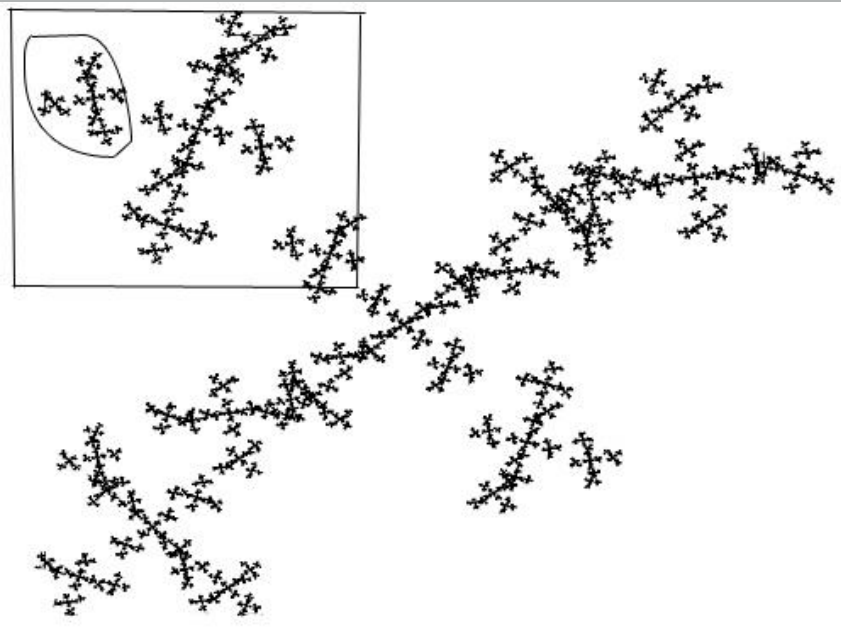
You can find the same small piece on this small piece...

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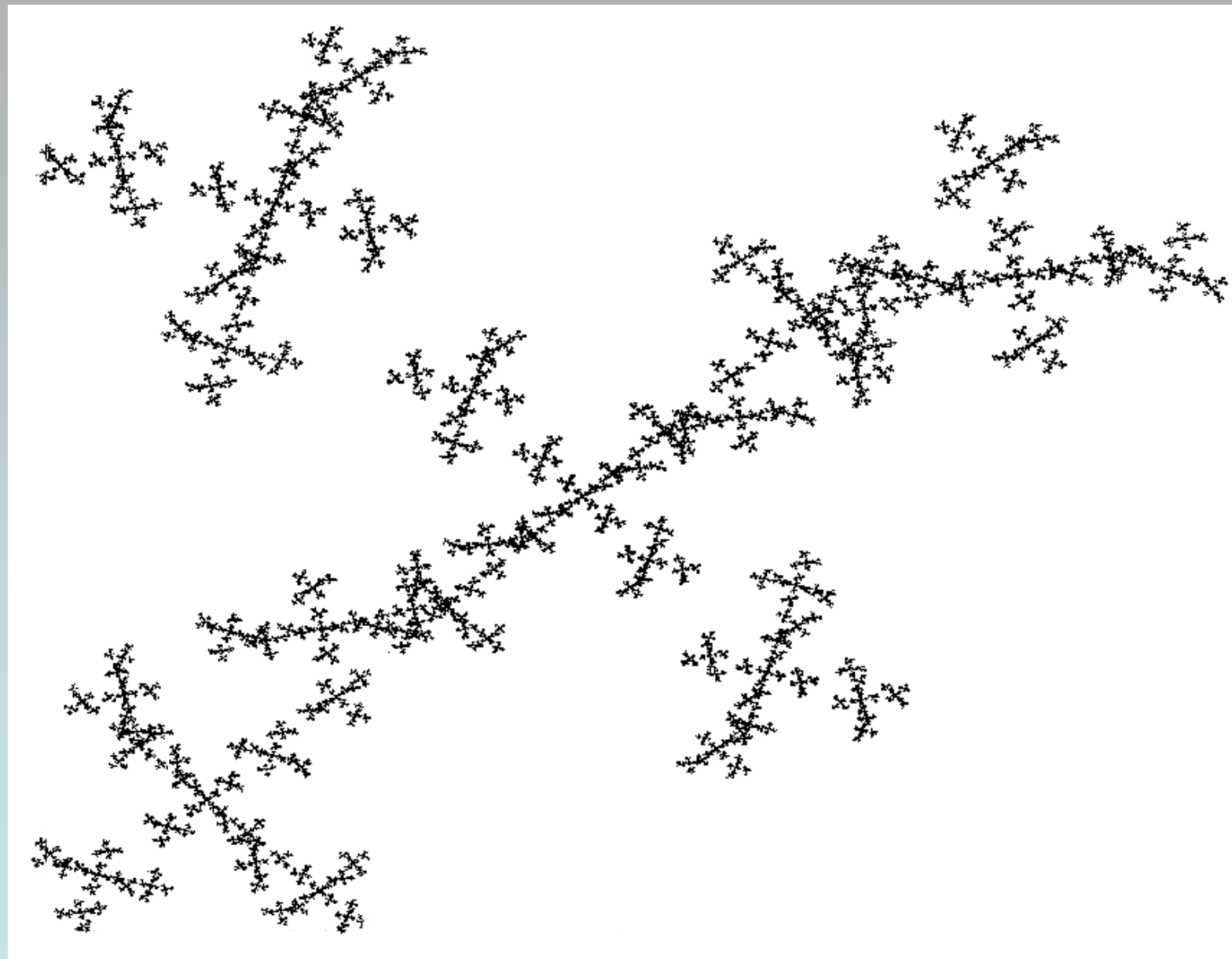




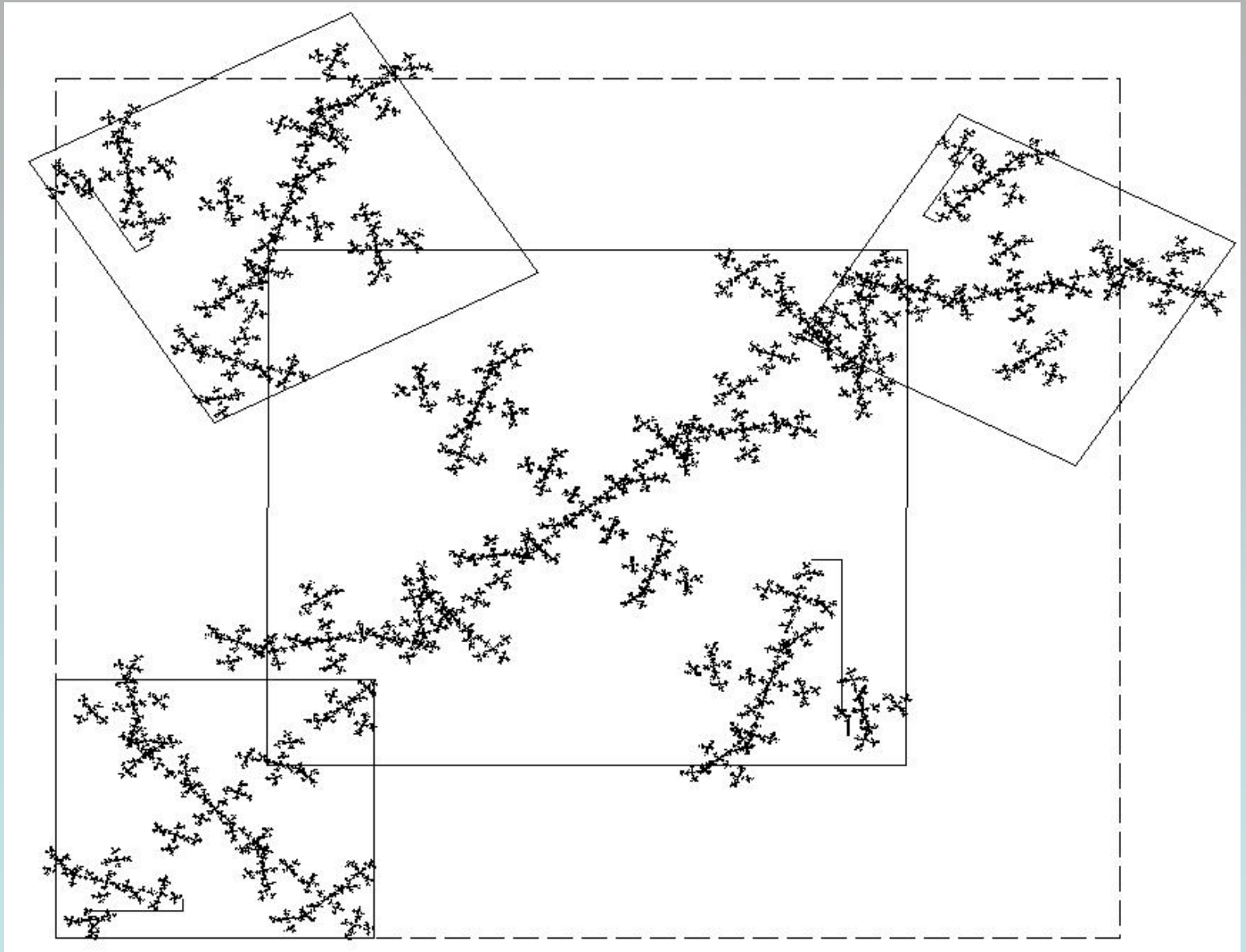
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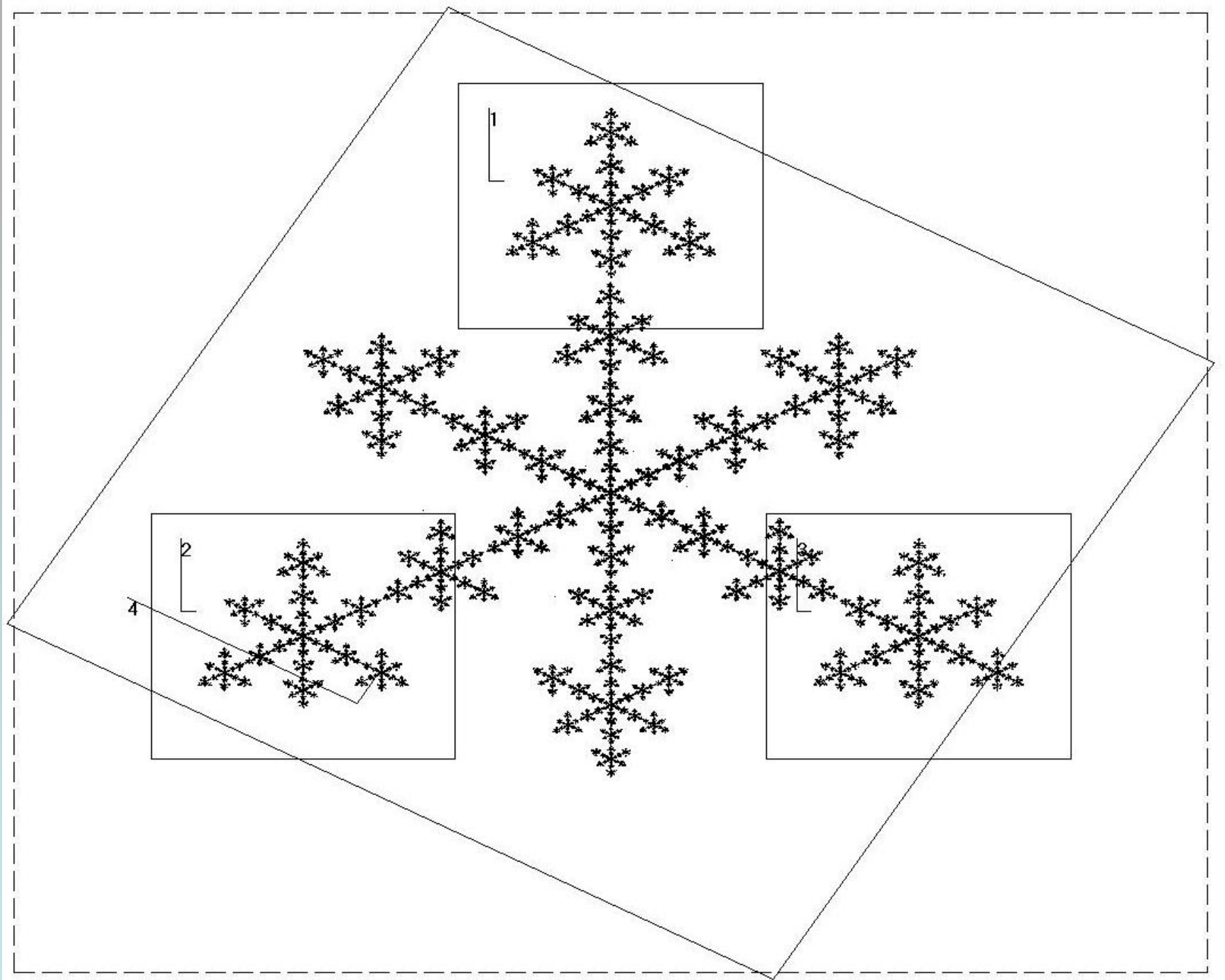




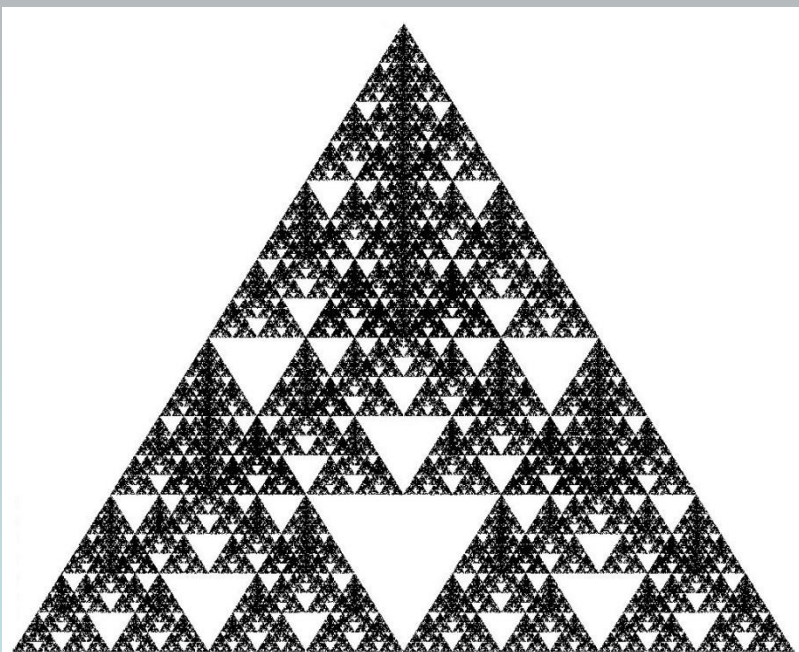


**Four self-similar pieces  $\rightarrow$  Infinitely many self-similar pieces**

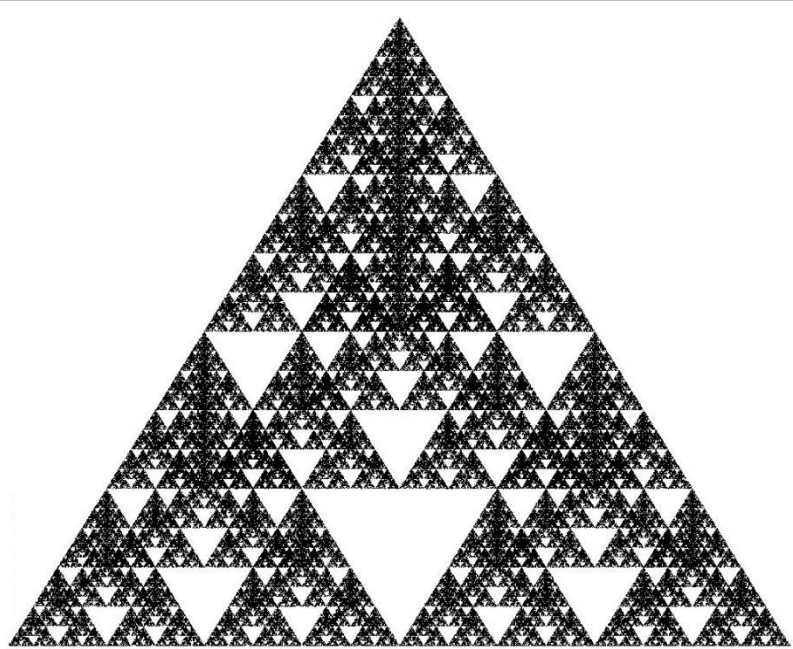




Is this a fractal? (self-similar?)

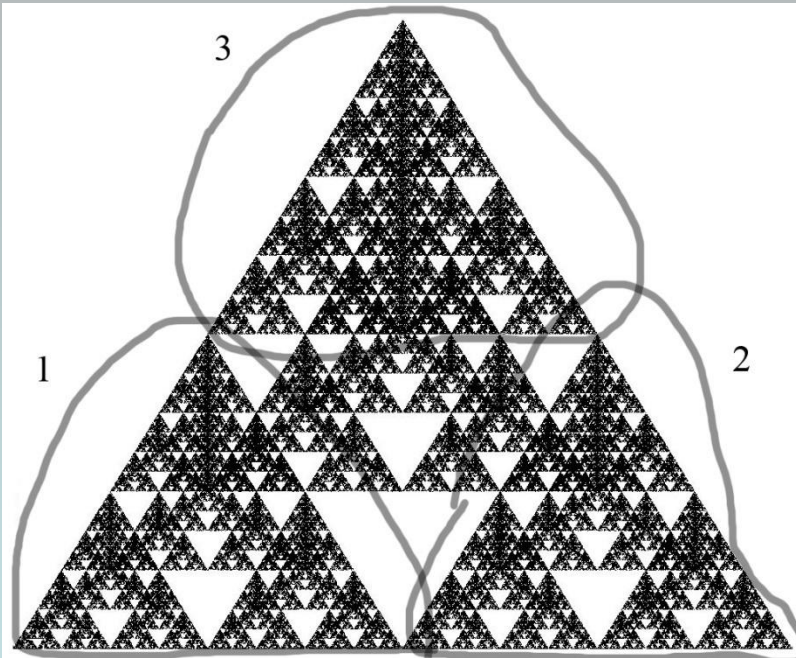


Is this a fractal? (self-similar?)



Yes – 4 pieces, but  
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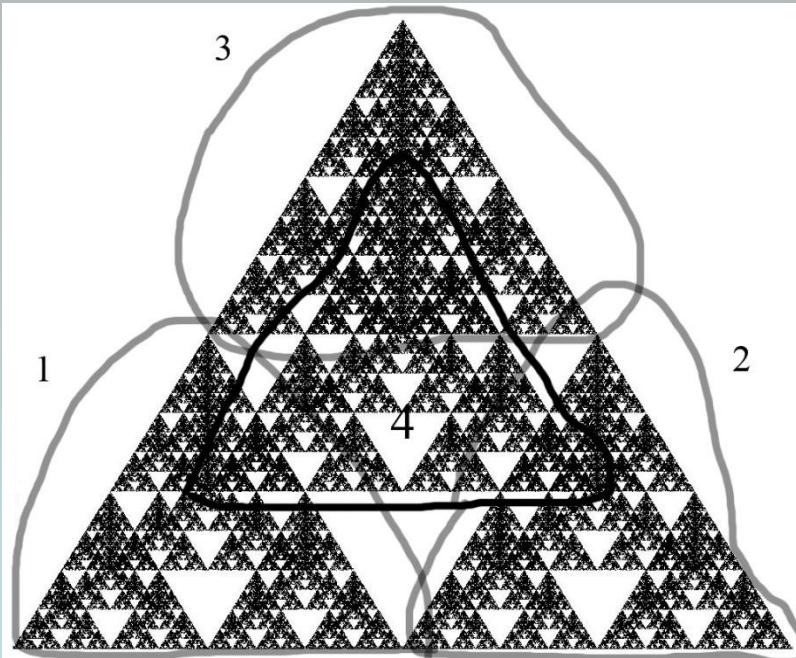
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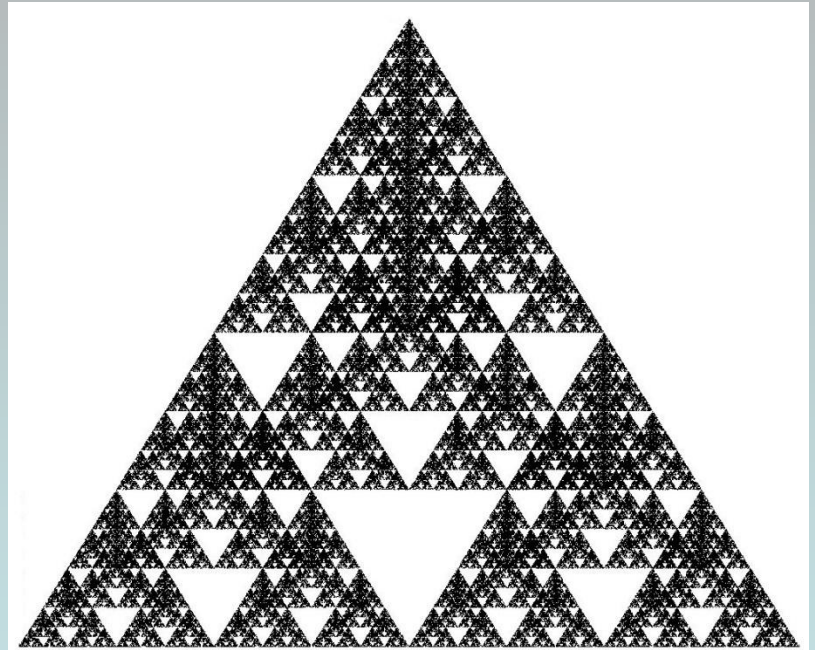
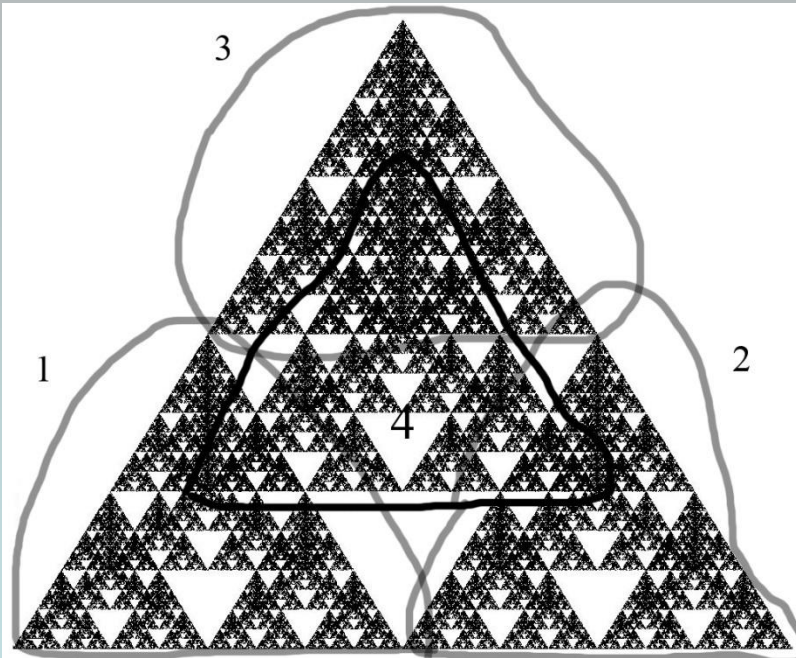


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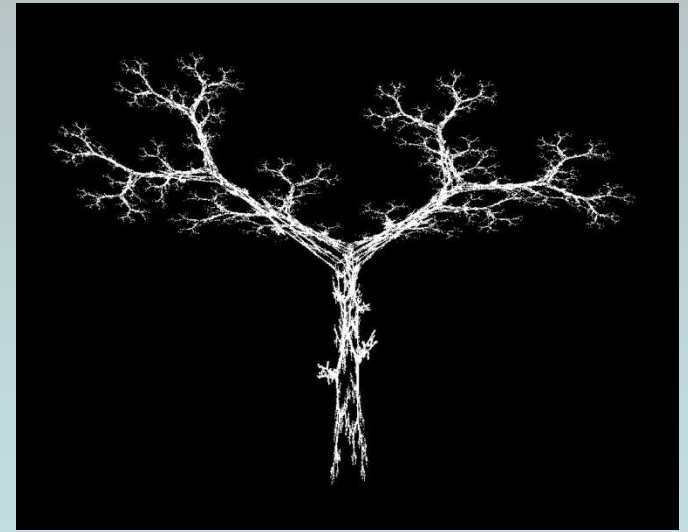
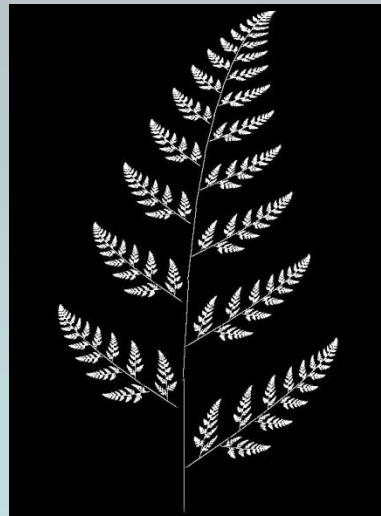
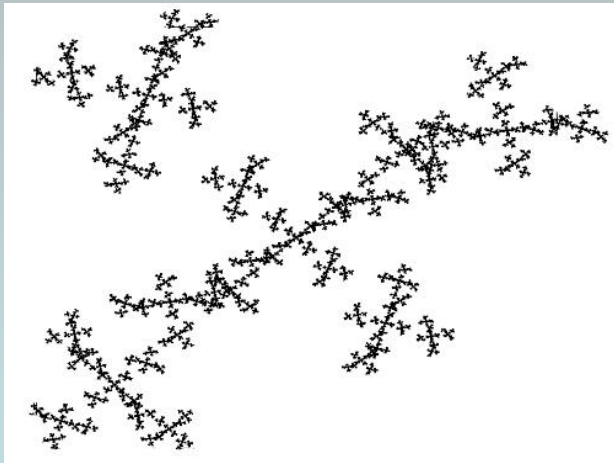
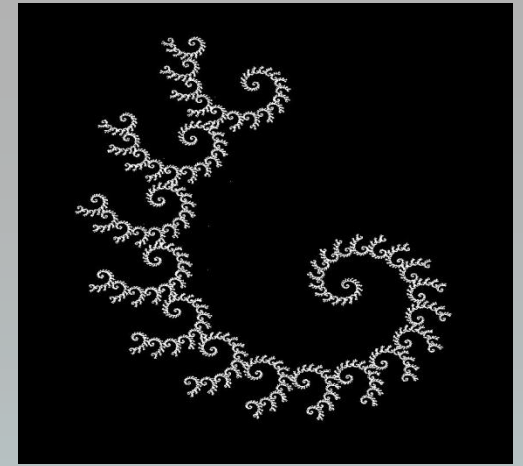
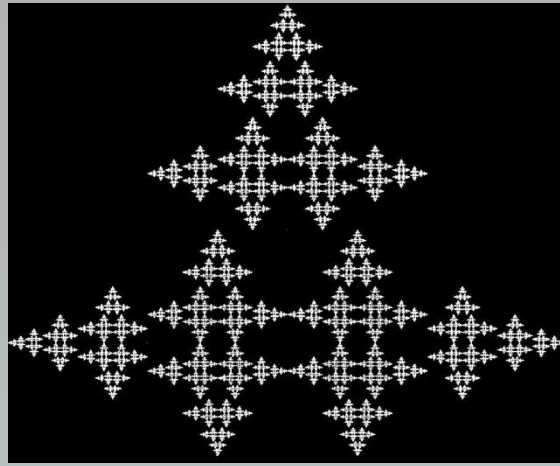
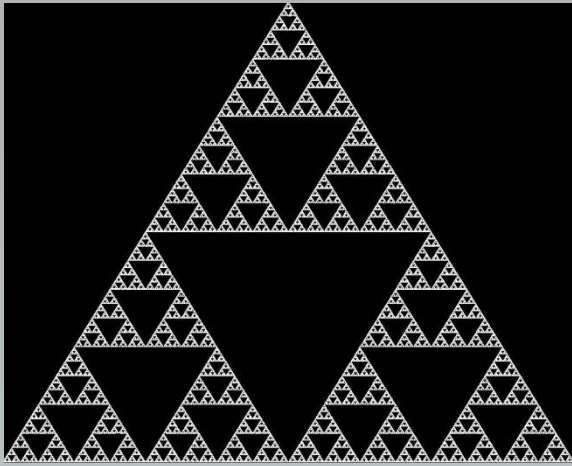


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# 4 self-similar pieces



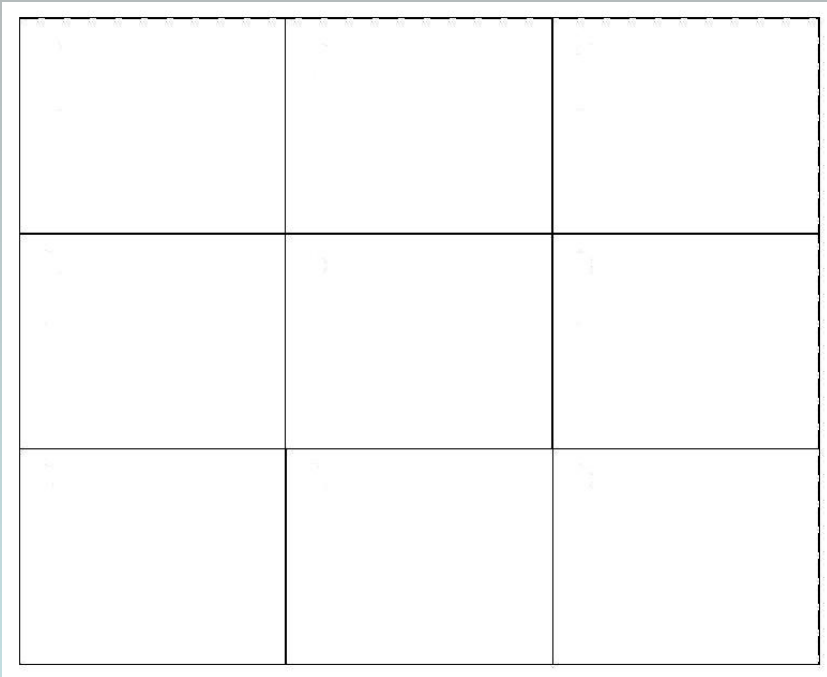




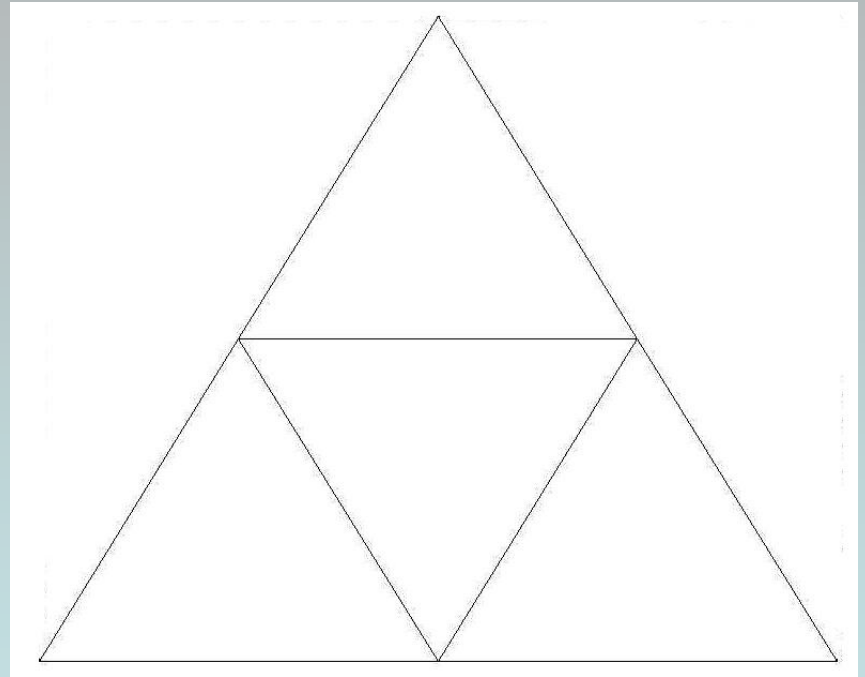
Self-similar : Made up of smaller copies of itself

# Other self-similar objects:

Solid square



Solid triangle

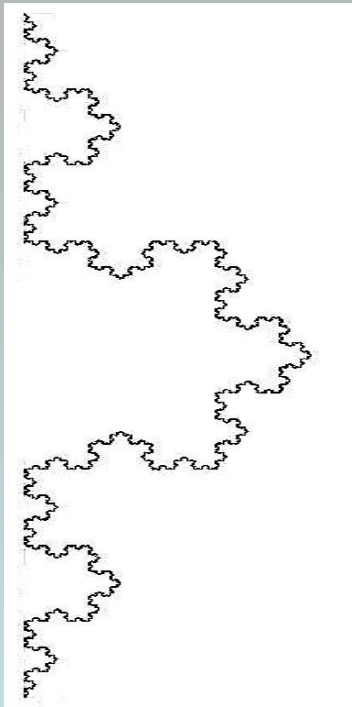


These are self-similar, but not “complicated”  
Fractals are self-similar and complicated

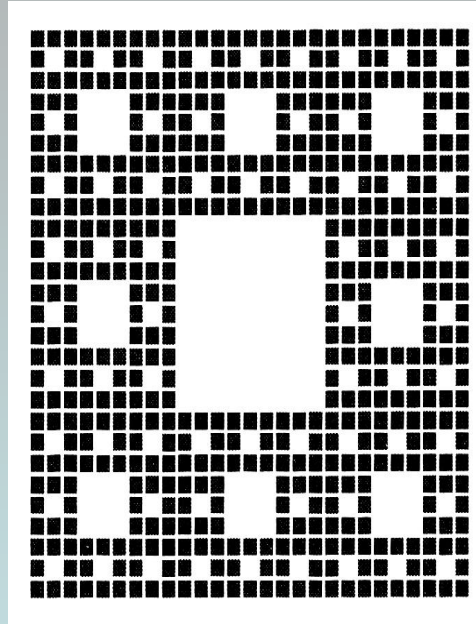
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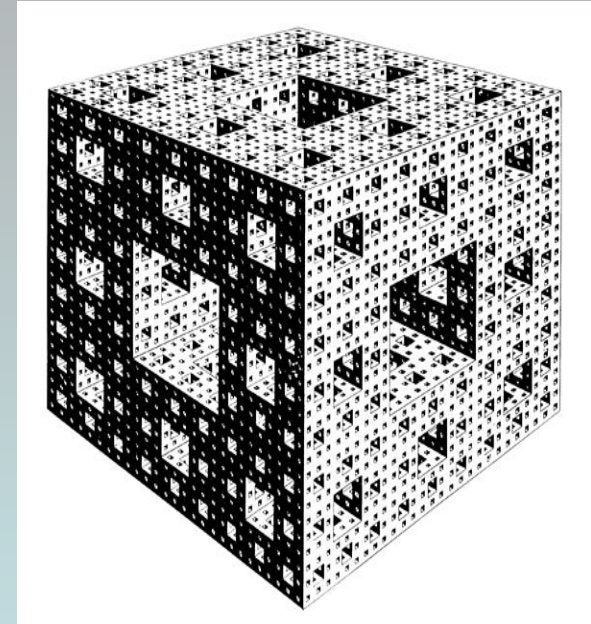
Fractal curves



Fractal areas

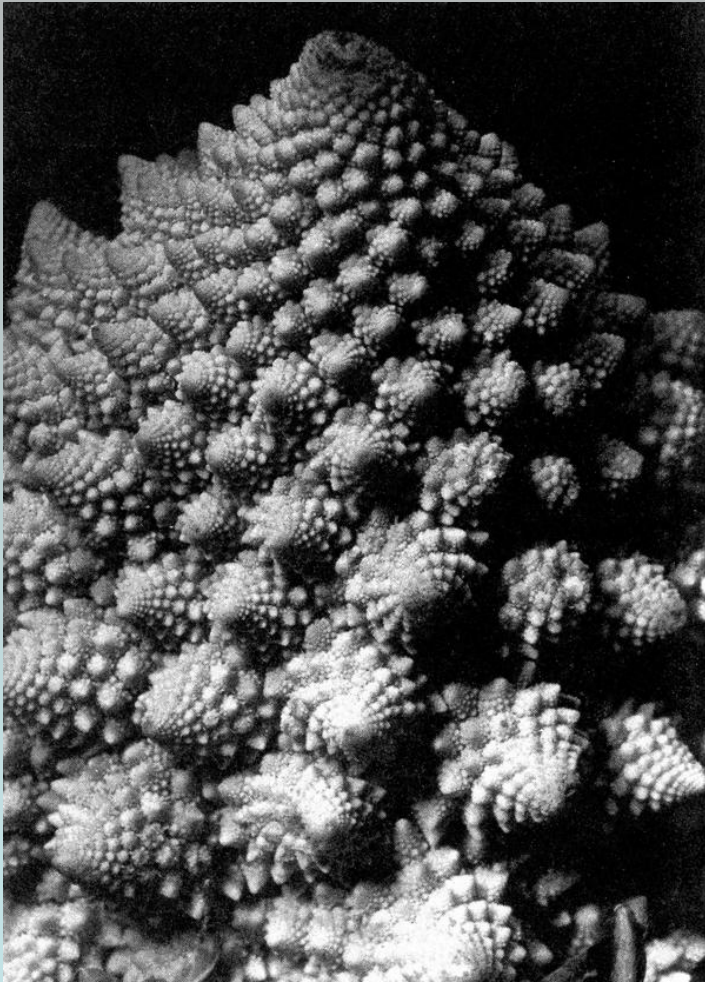


Fractal volumes





# Fractals in Nature



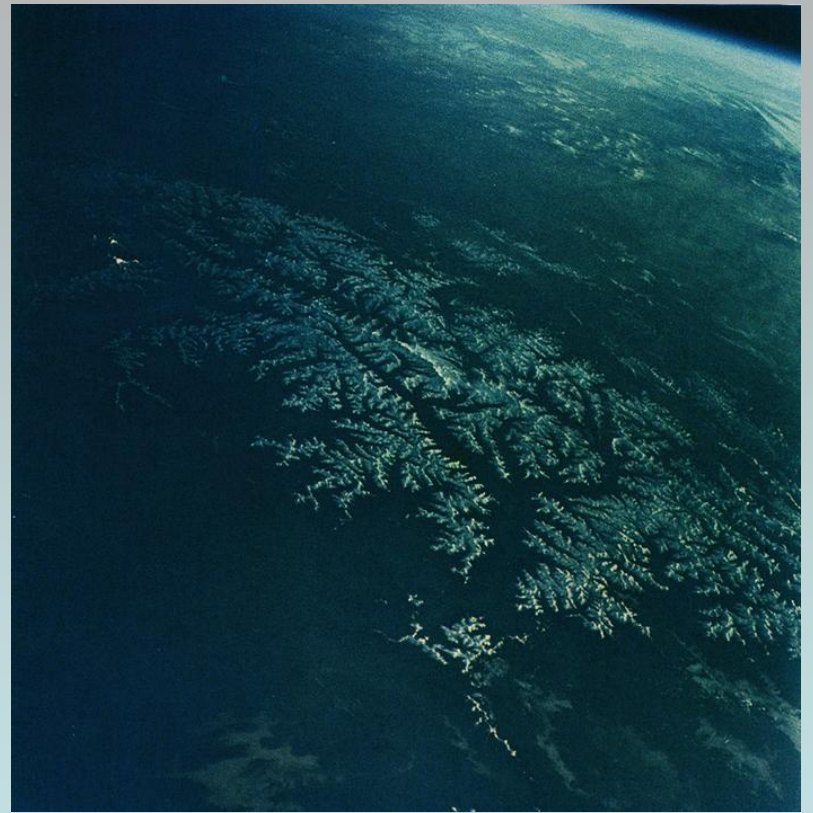


























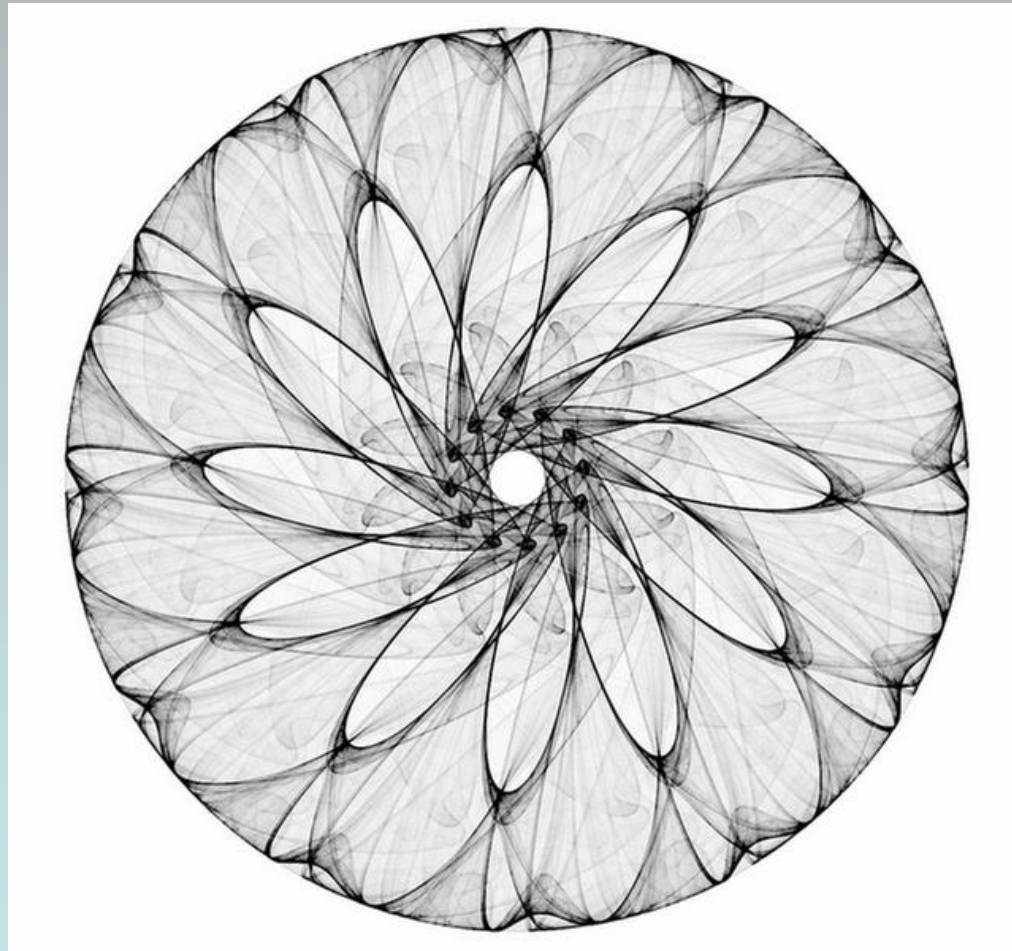
# Real Mountains



# Fractal Mountains



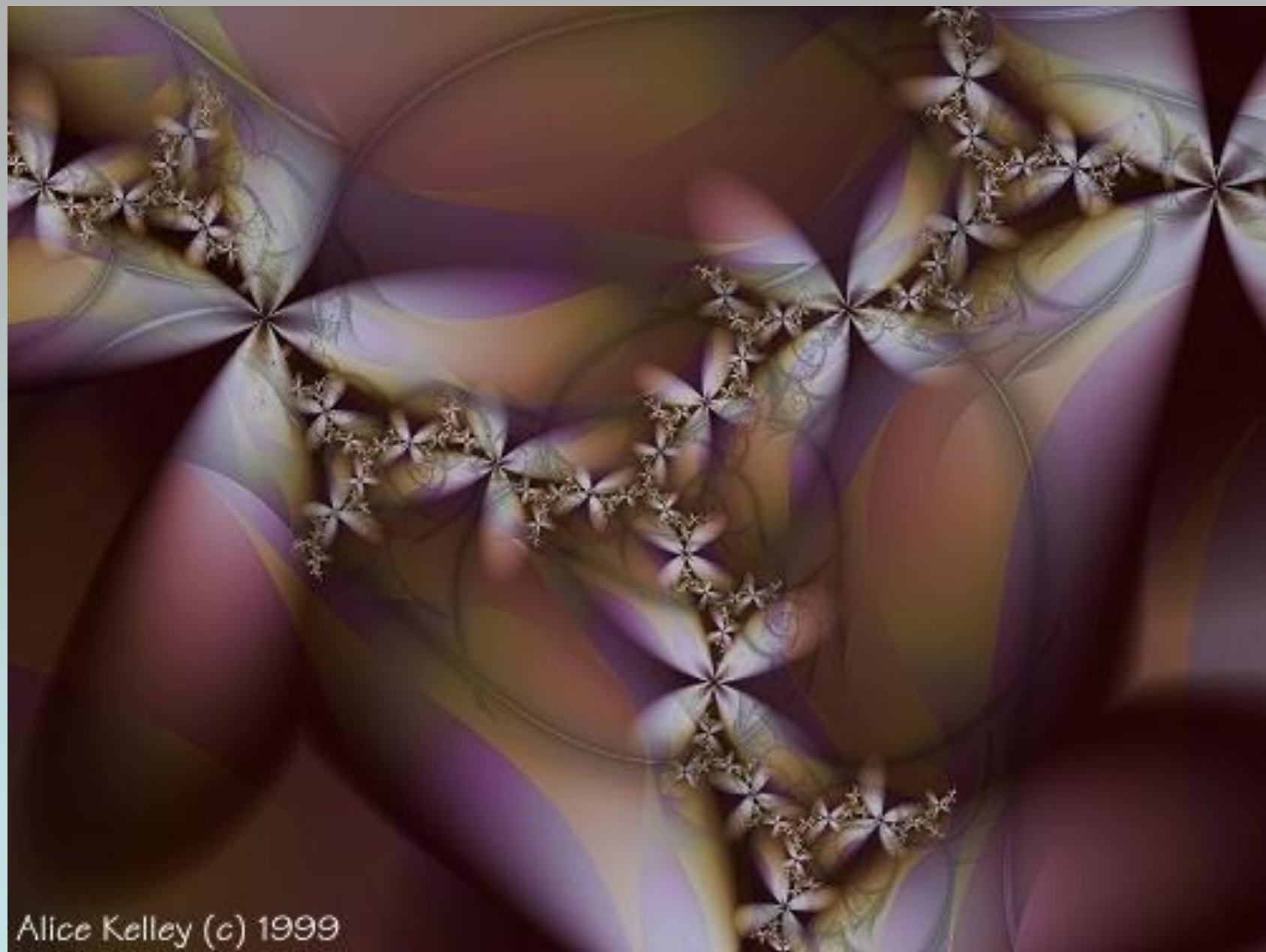
# Fractal Art





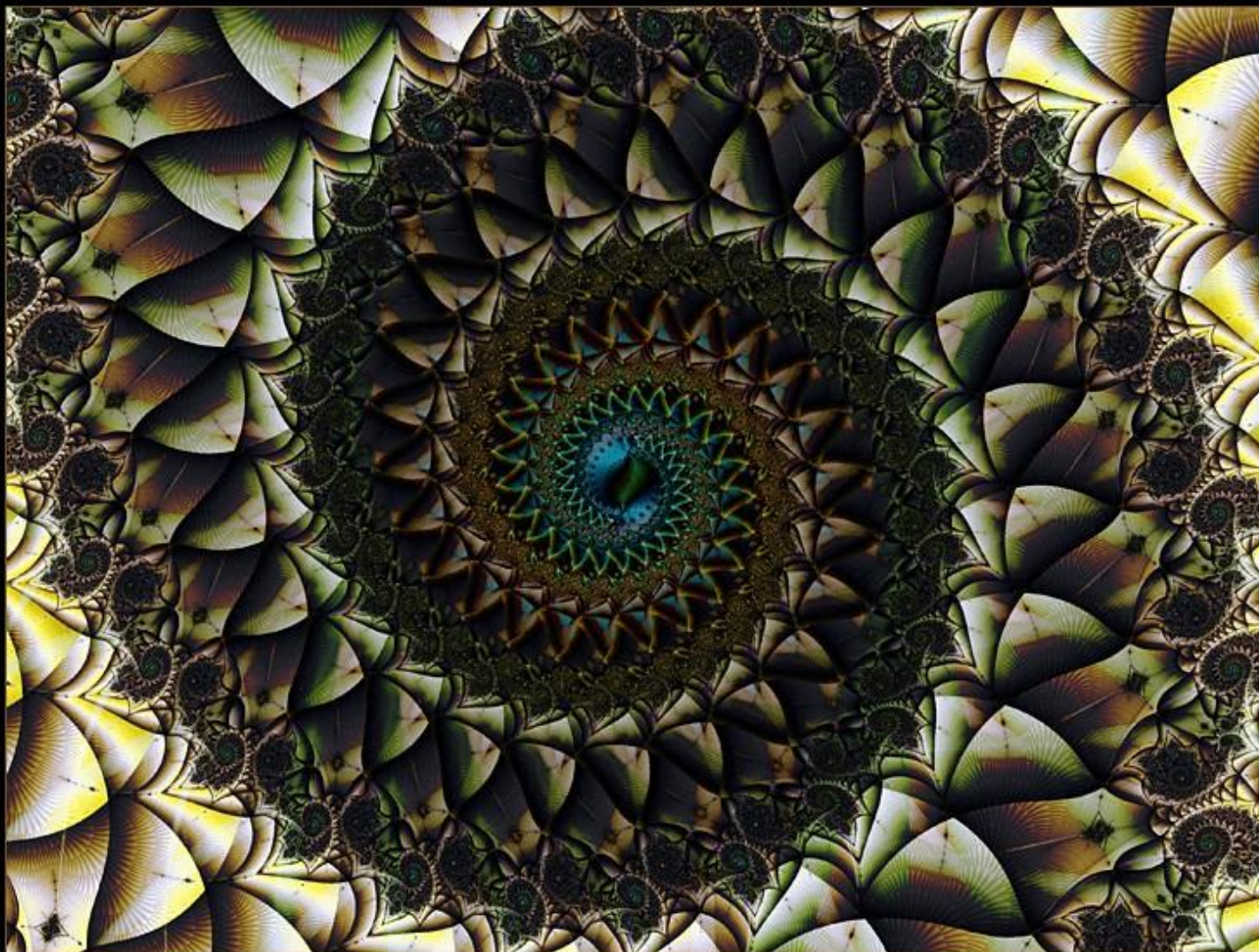


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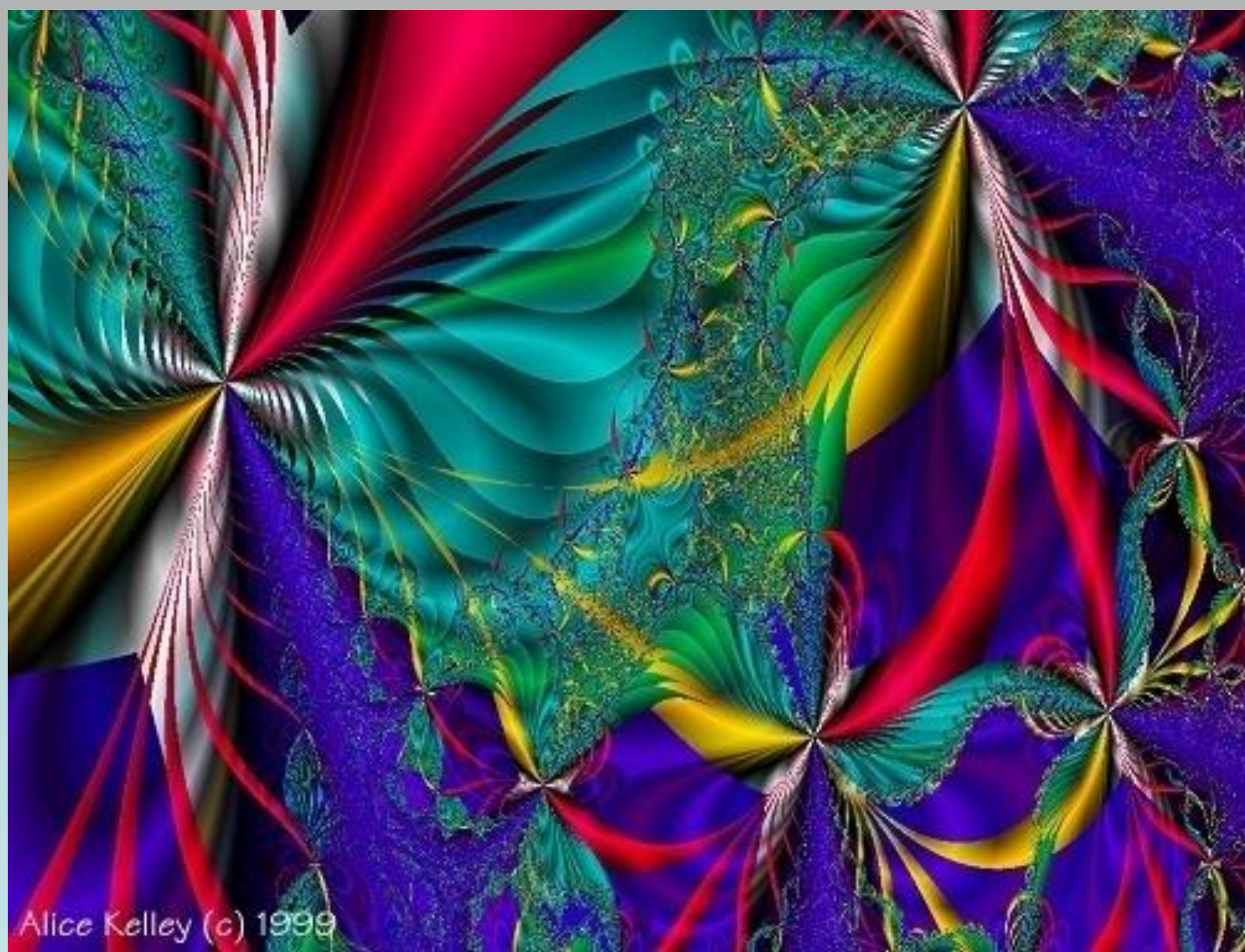




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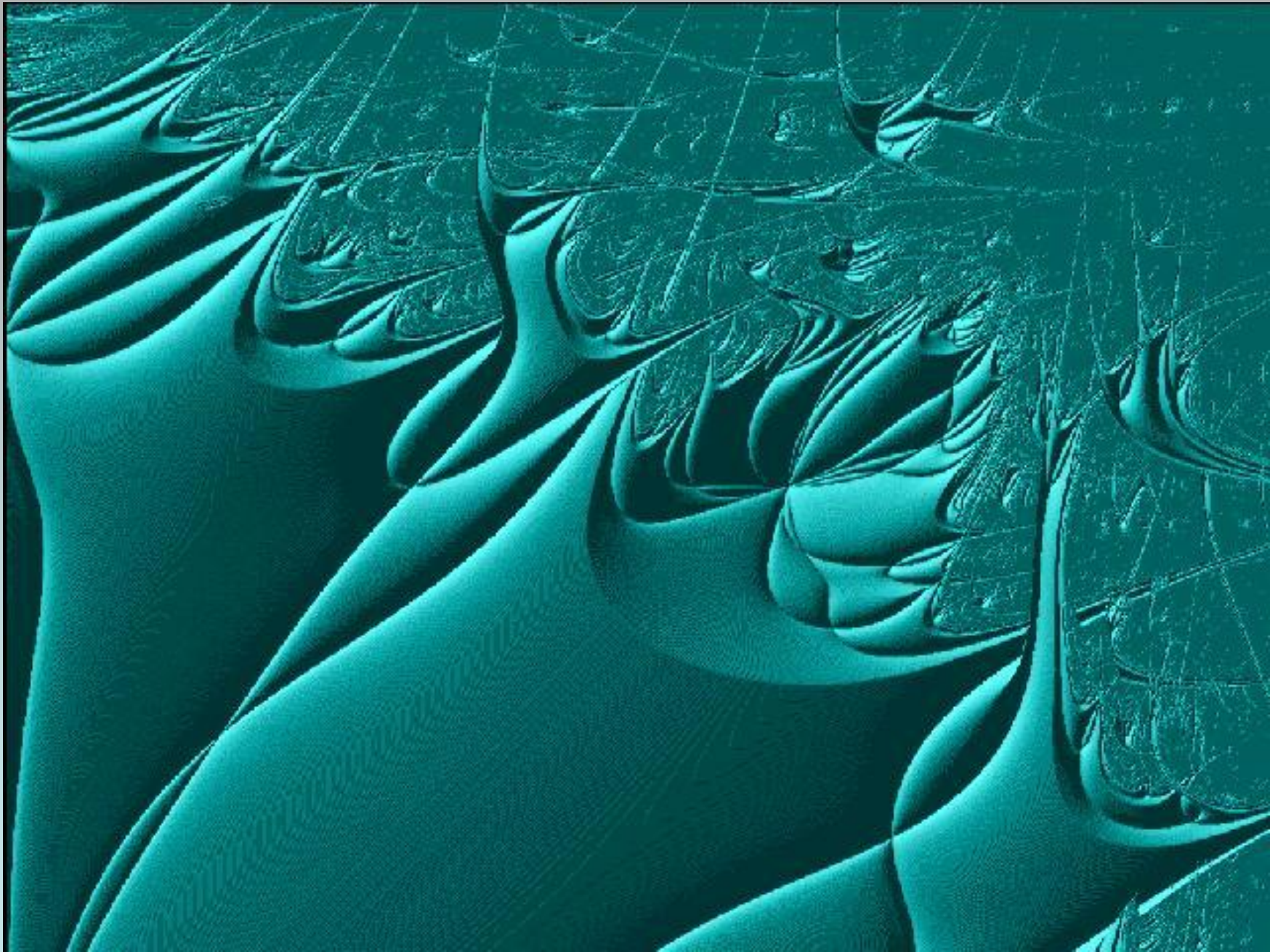
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# How do we draw fractals?

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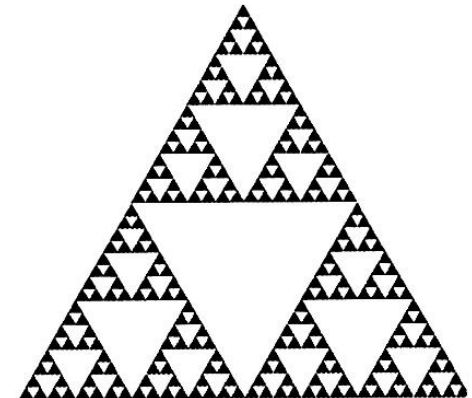
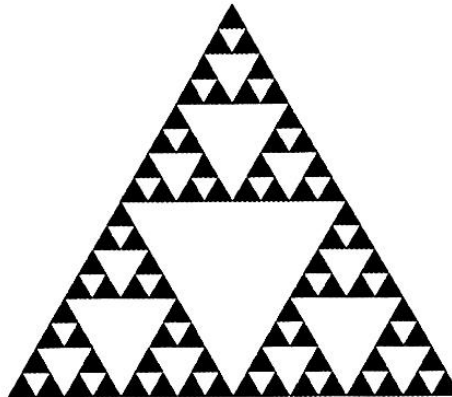
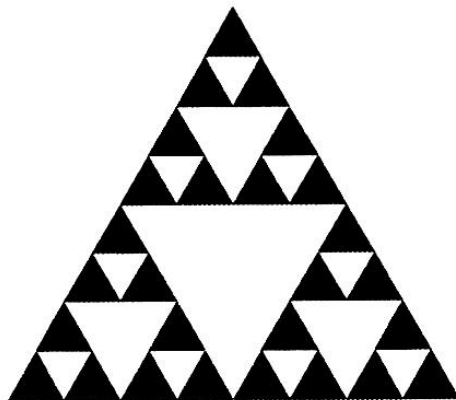
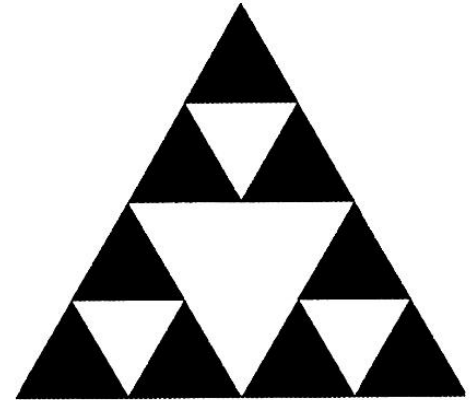
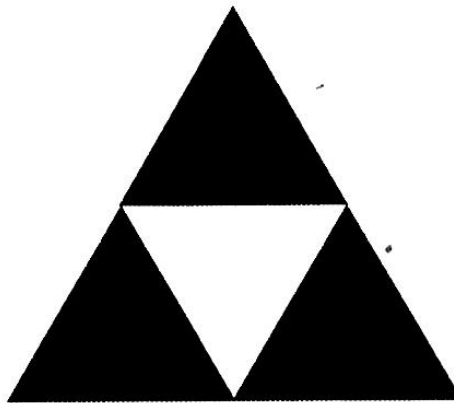
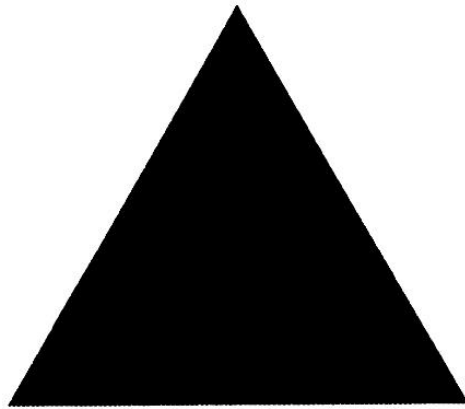
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  - Removing pieces
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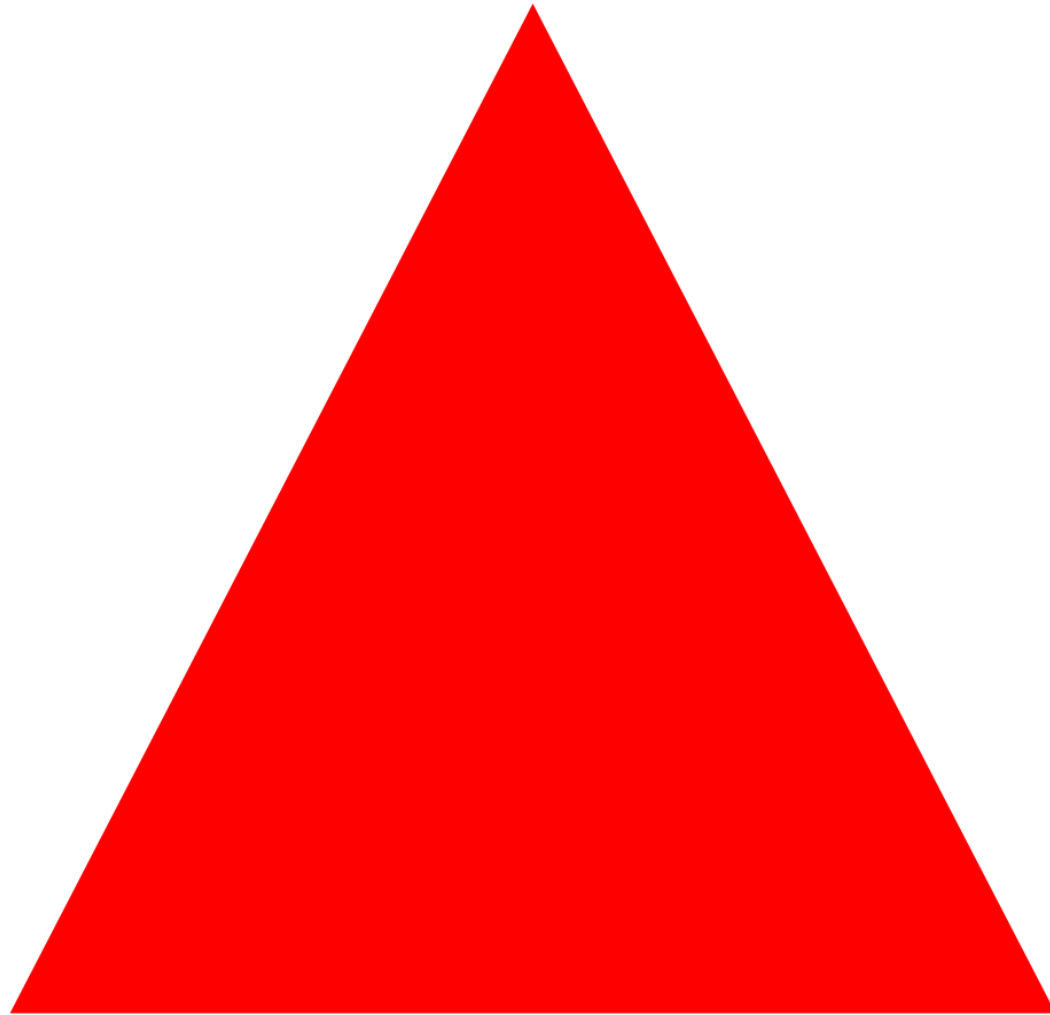
- Here are four ways:
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  - Removing pieces
  - Adding pieces
  - The 'Chaos Game'



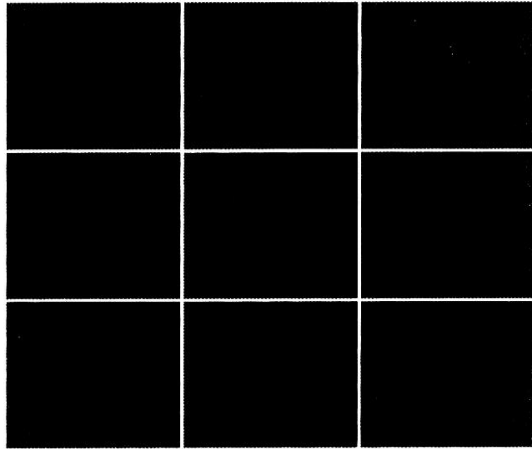
# Removing pieces



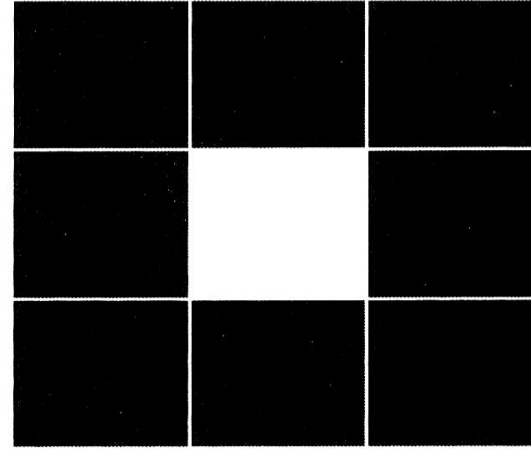
# Wikipedia; 'fractals'



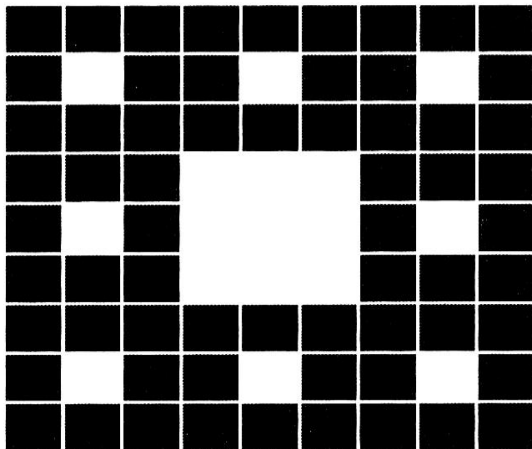
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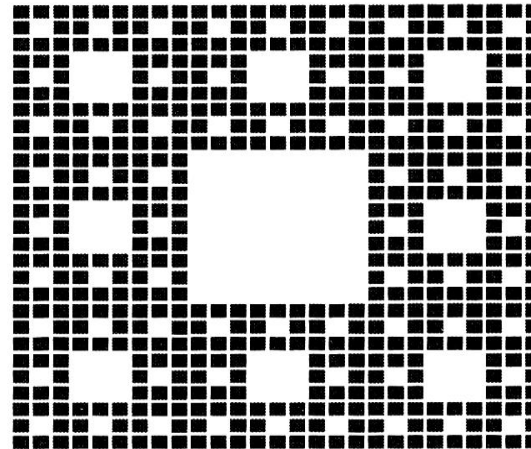
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step 1

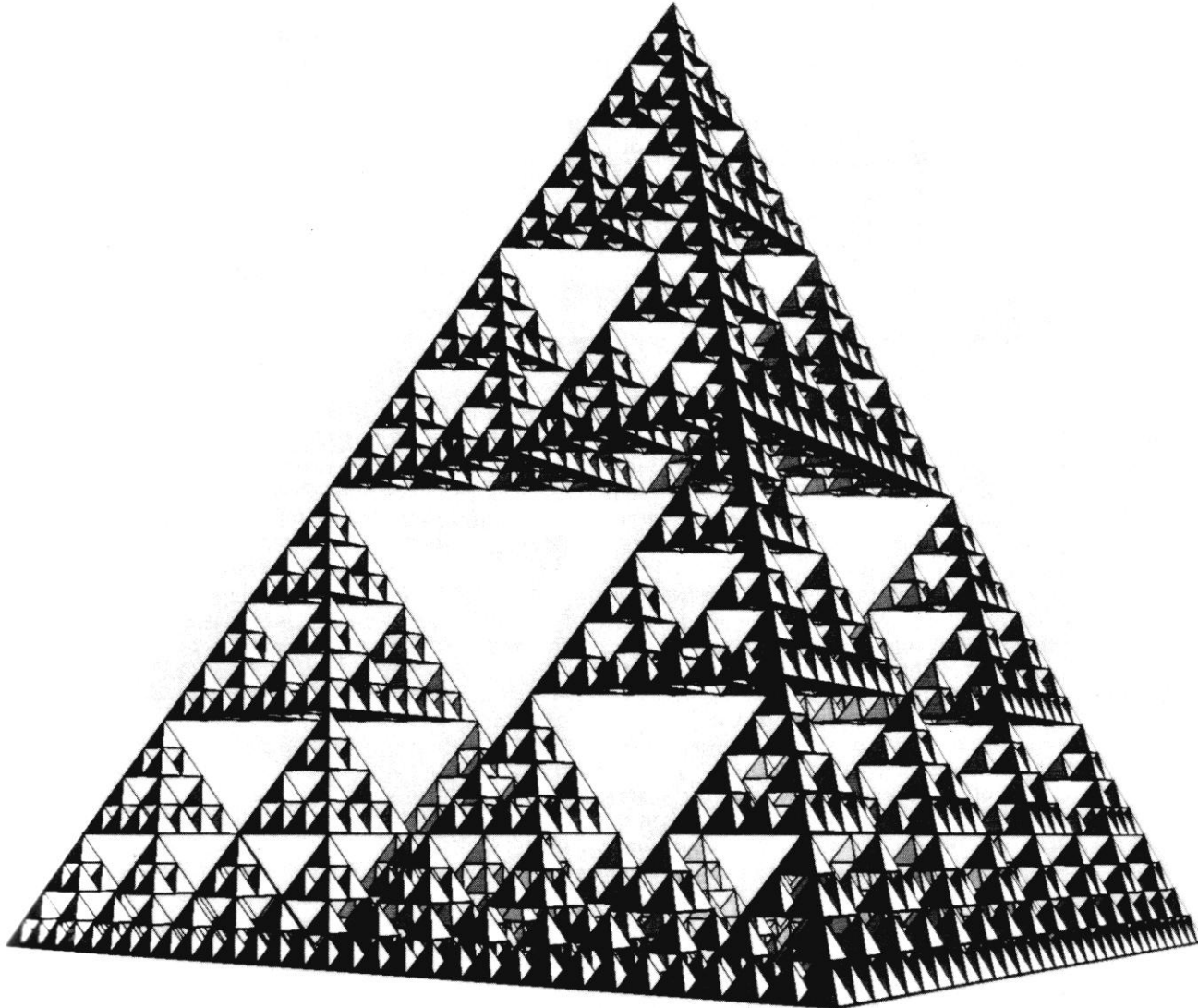


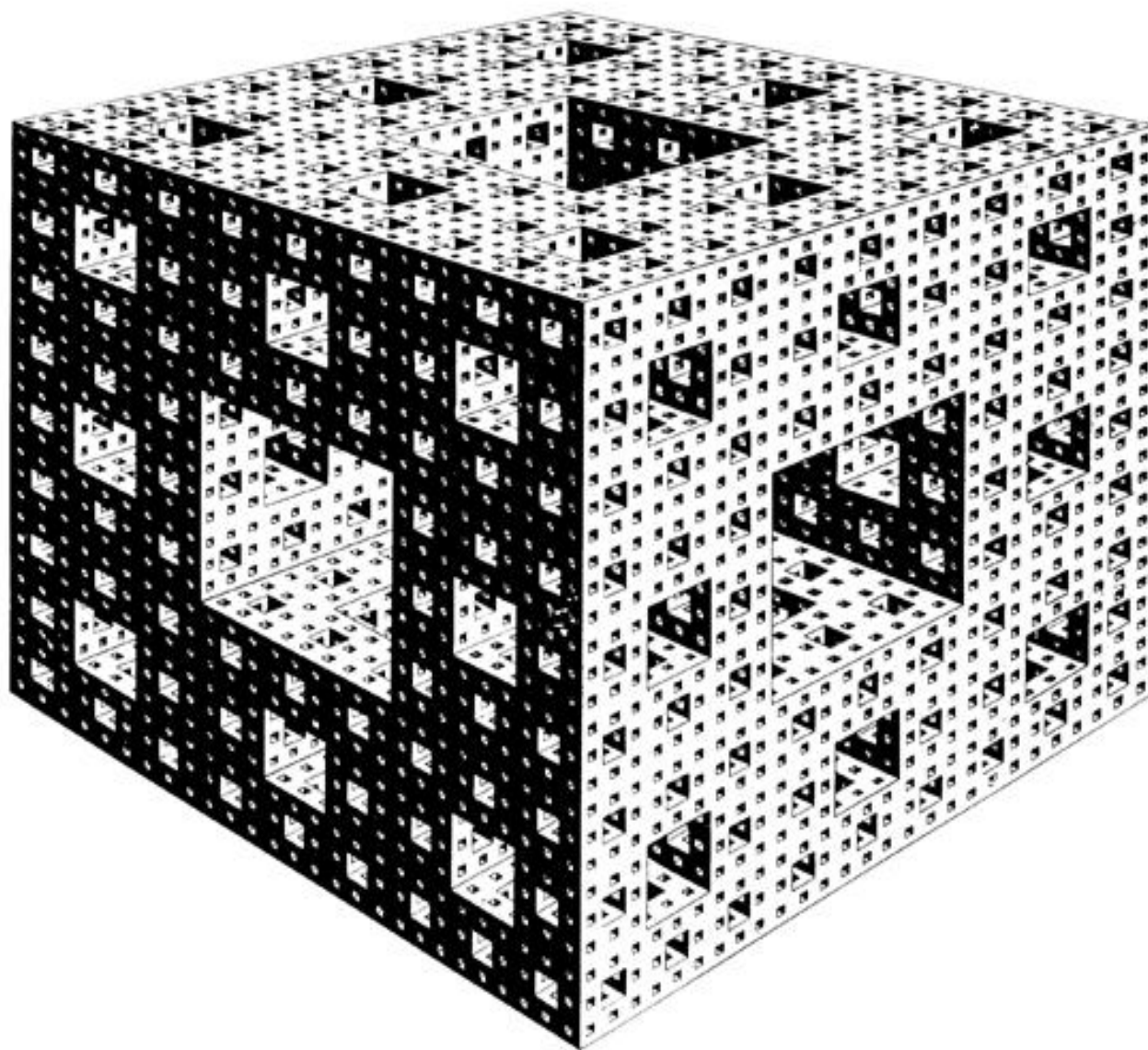
step 2



step 3

# Or in 3-D



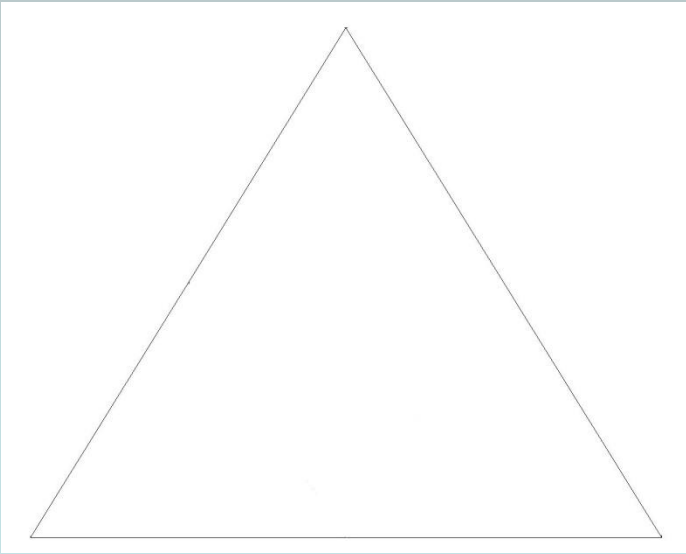


# Now you try

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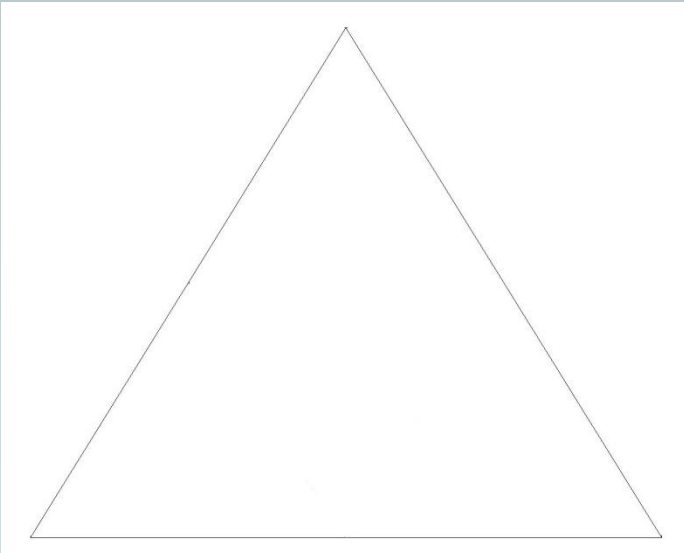
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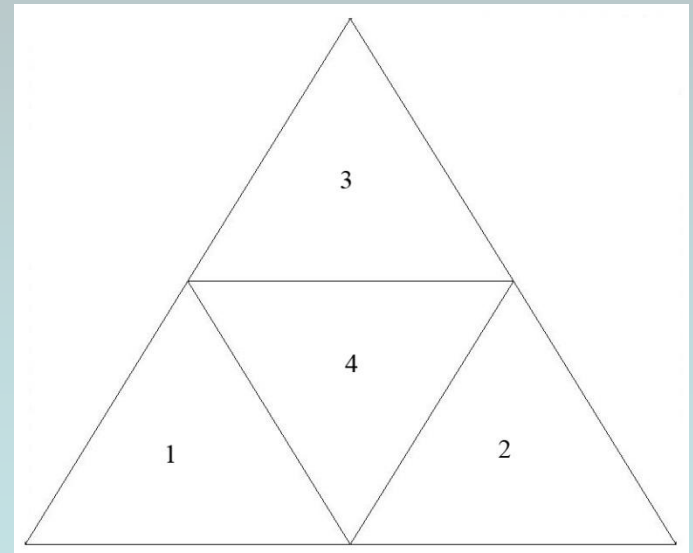


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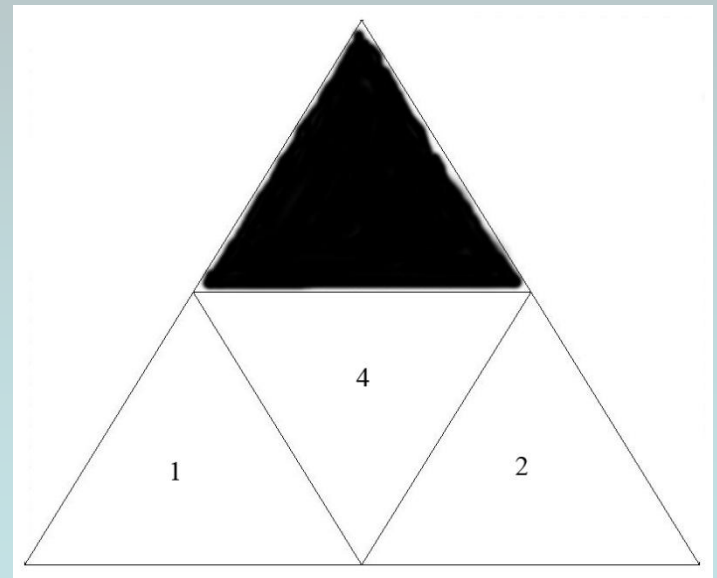
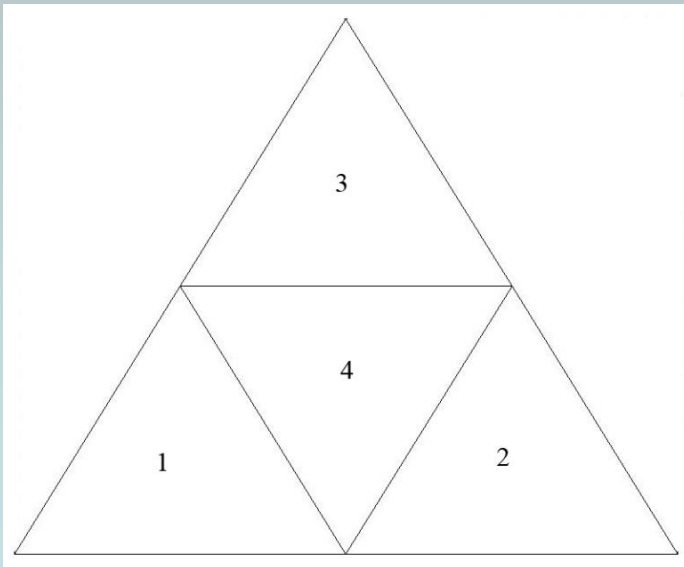
Partition it into 4 smaller triangles:





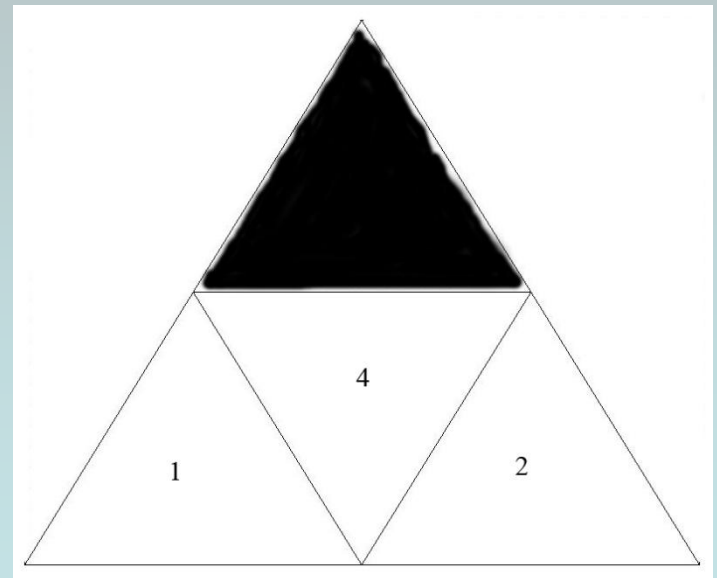
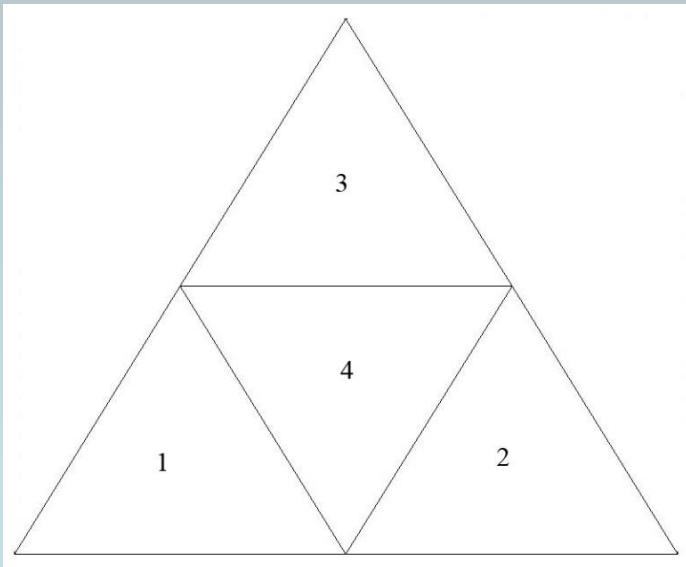
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Remove sub-triangle 3:

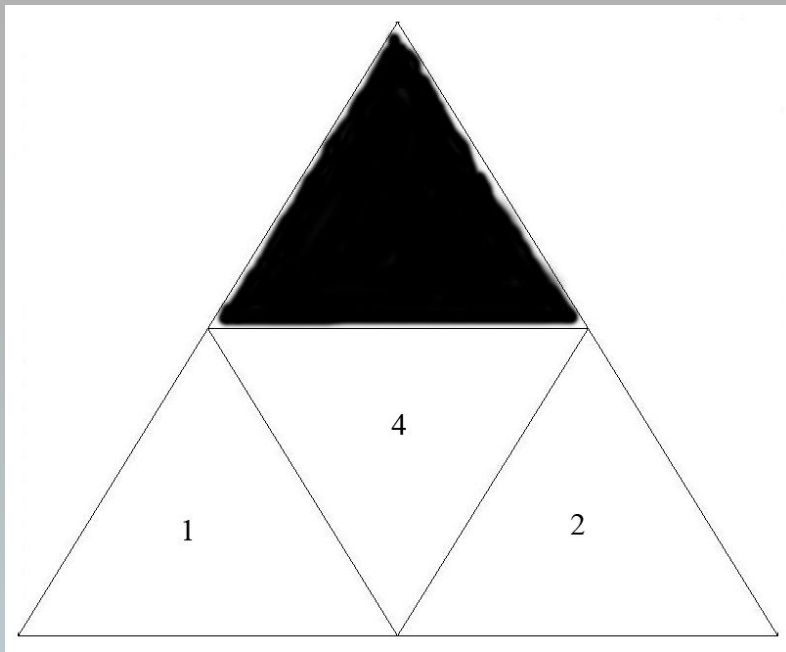


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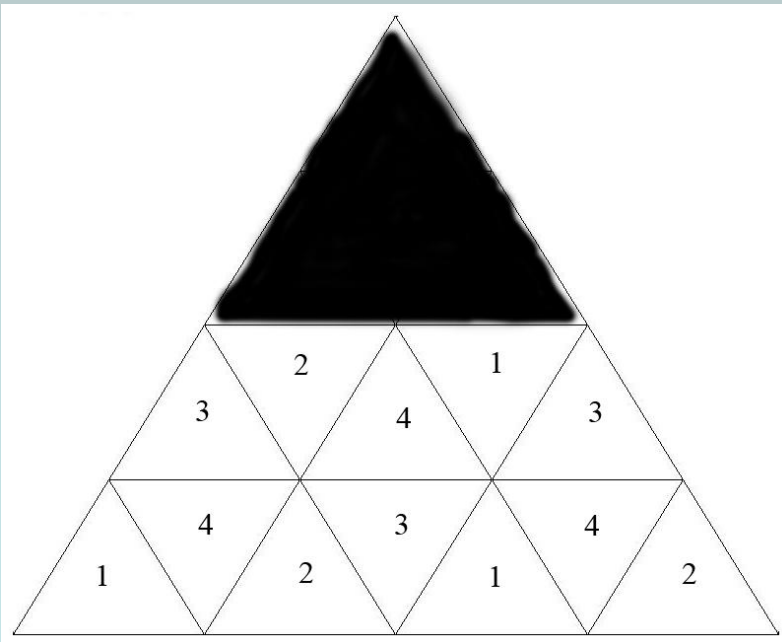
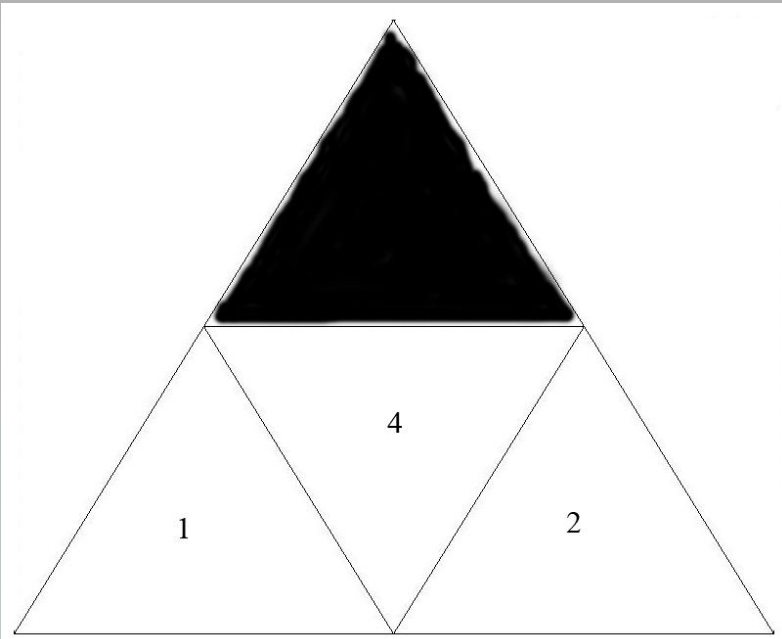


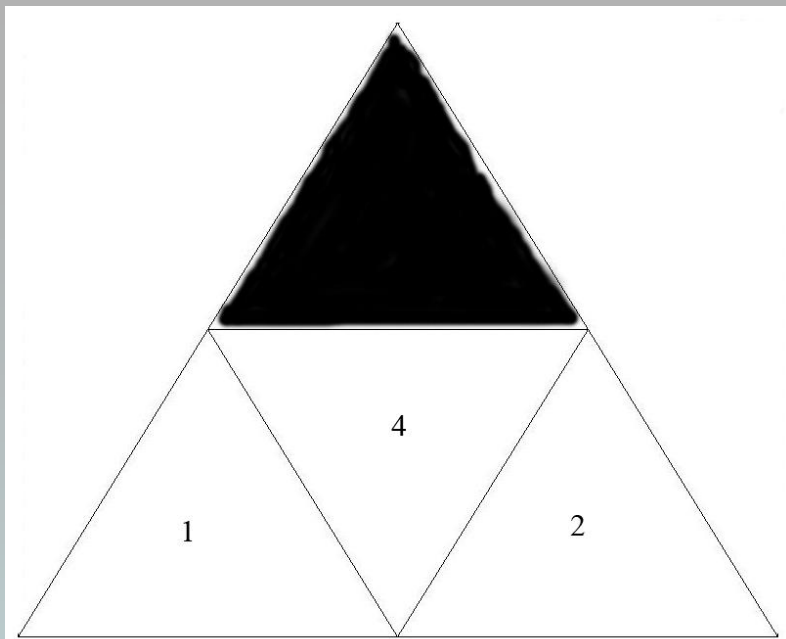
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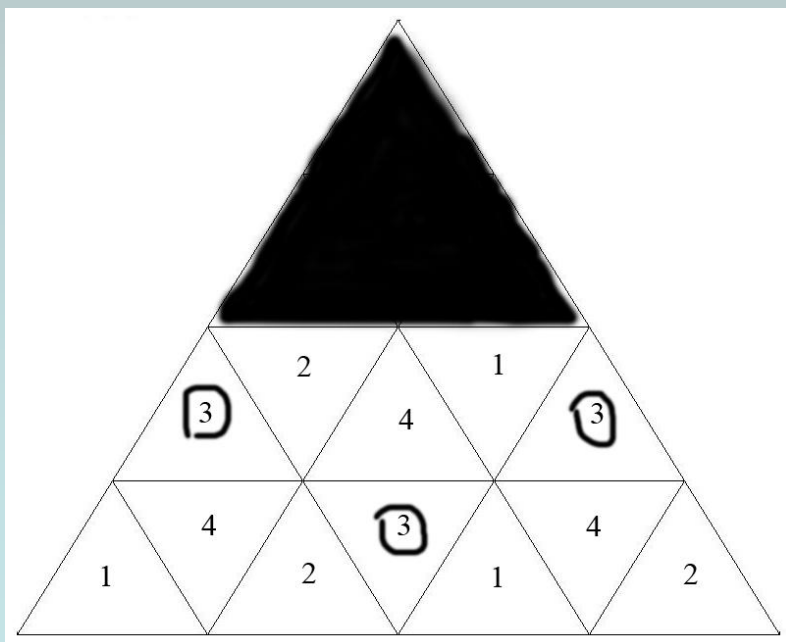
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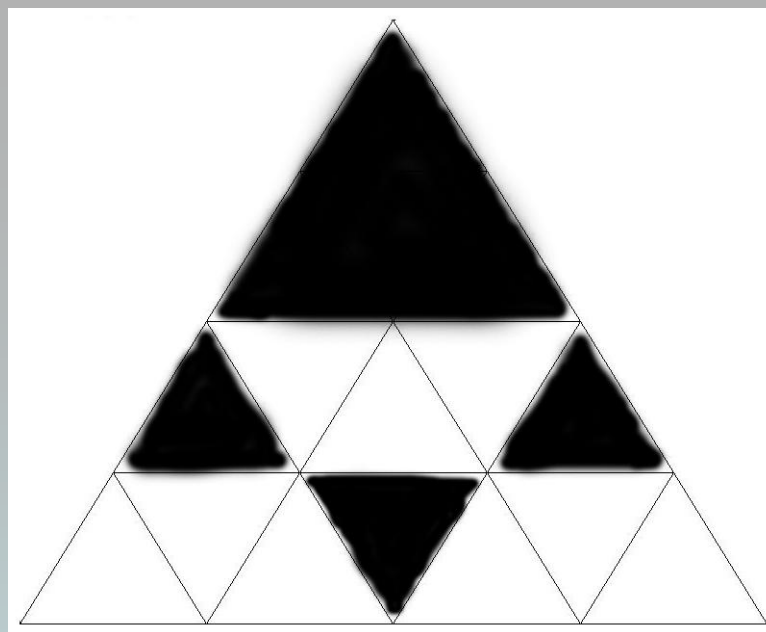
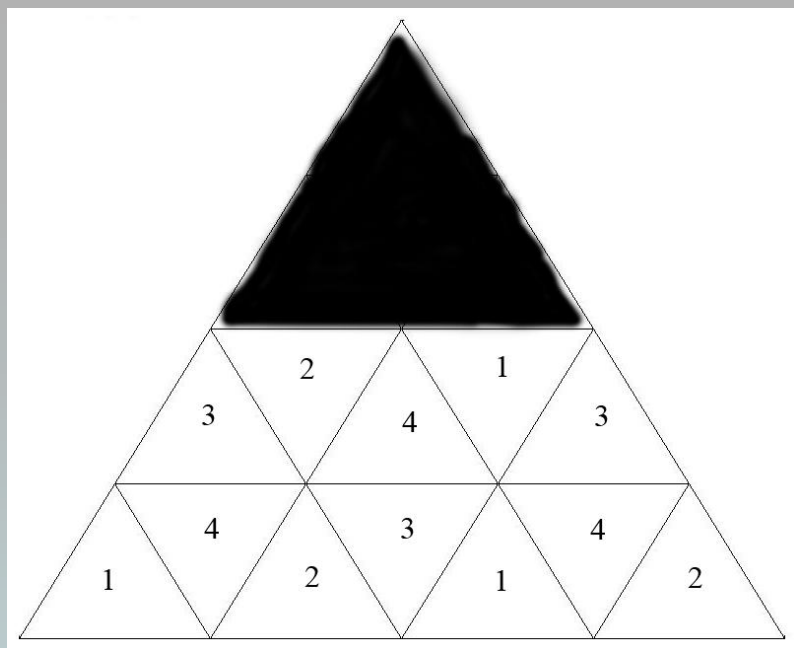


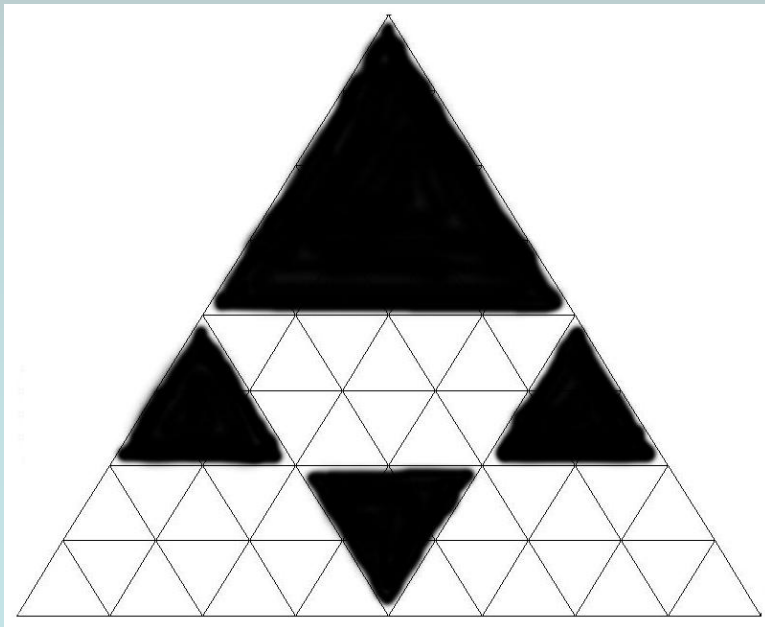
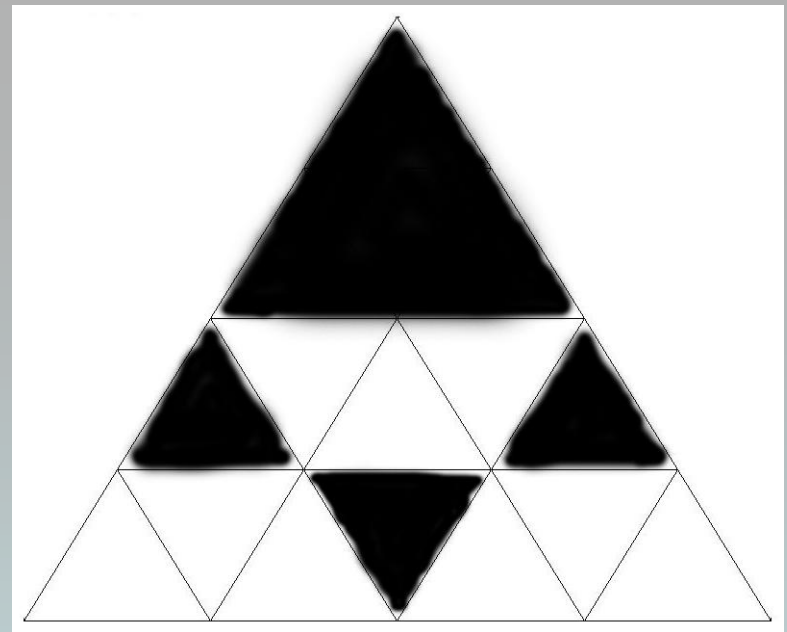
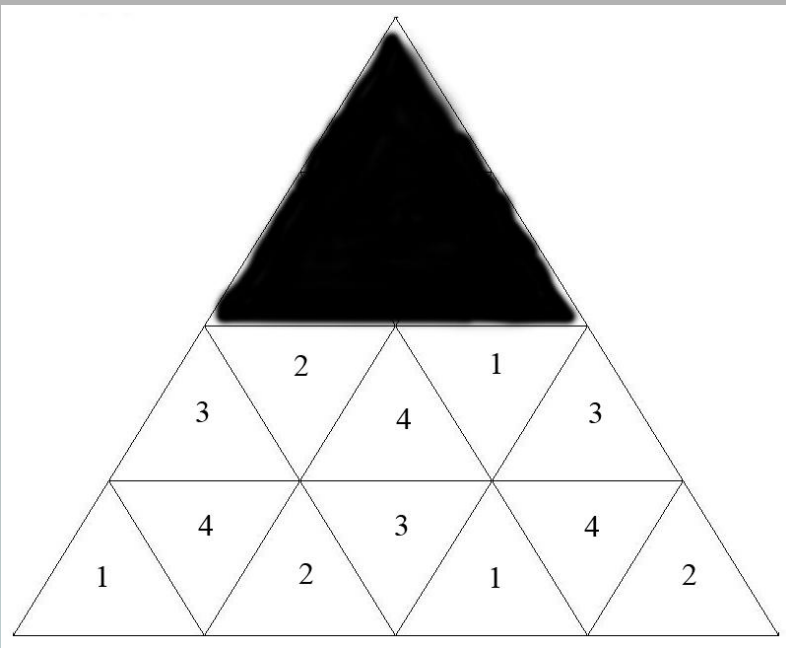
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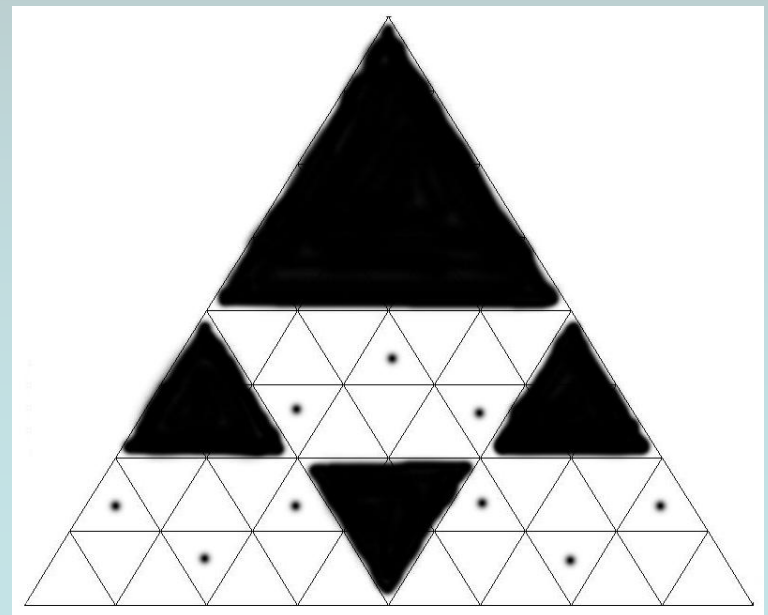
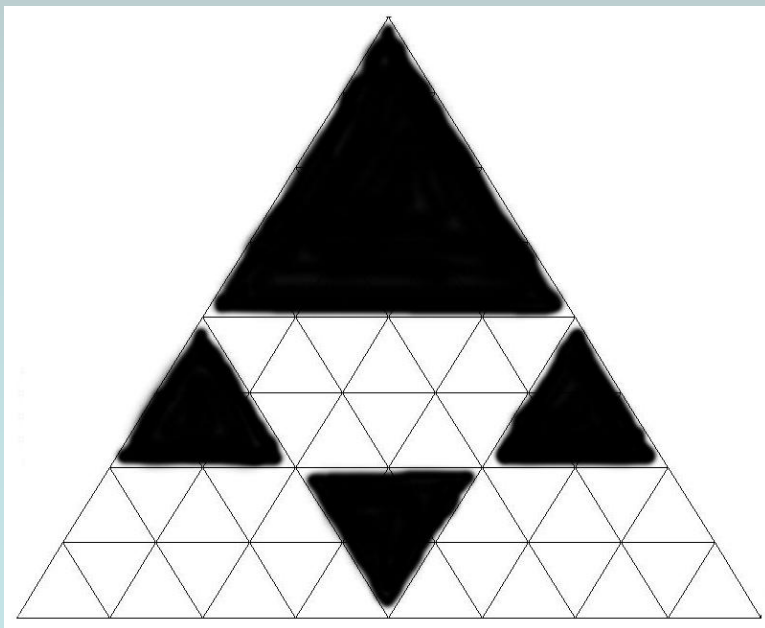
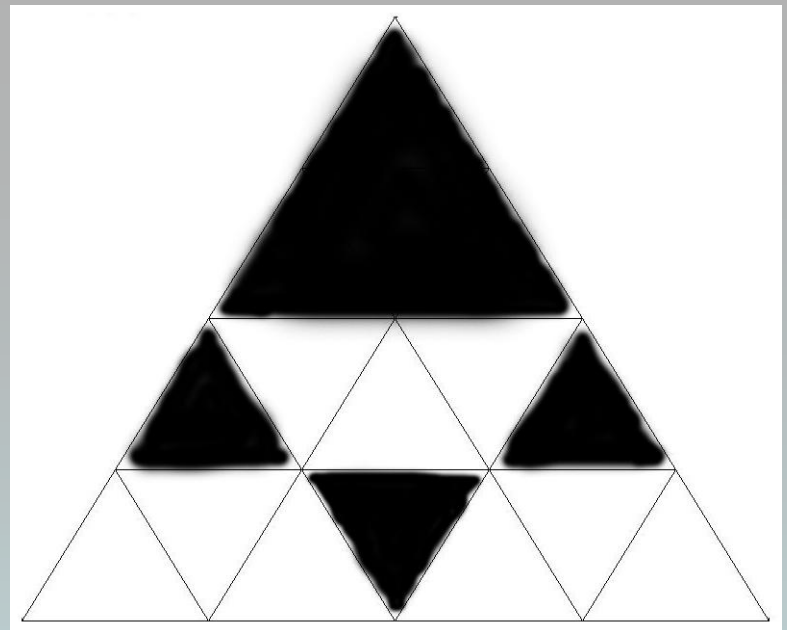
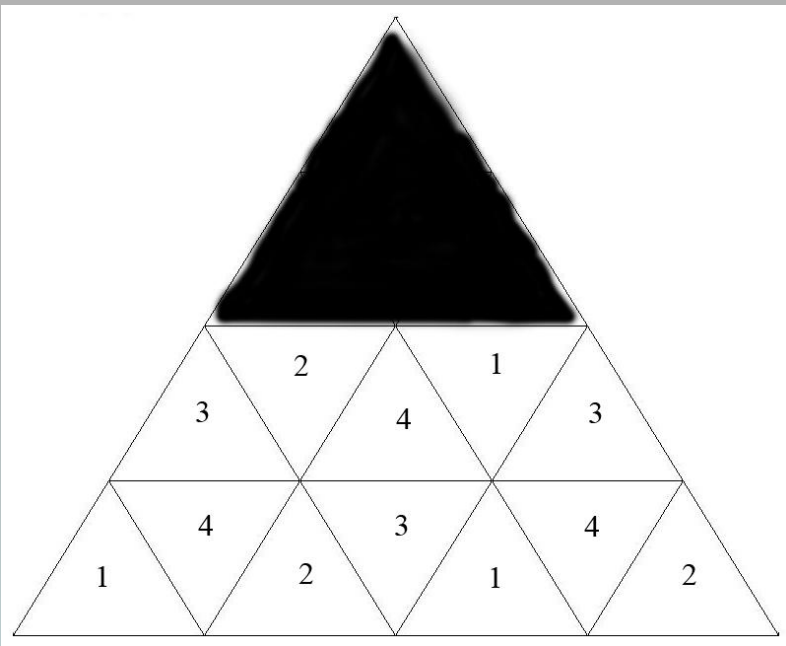


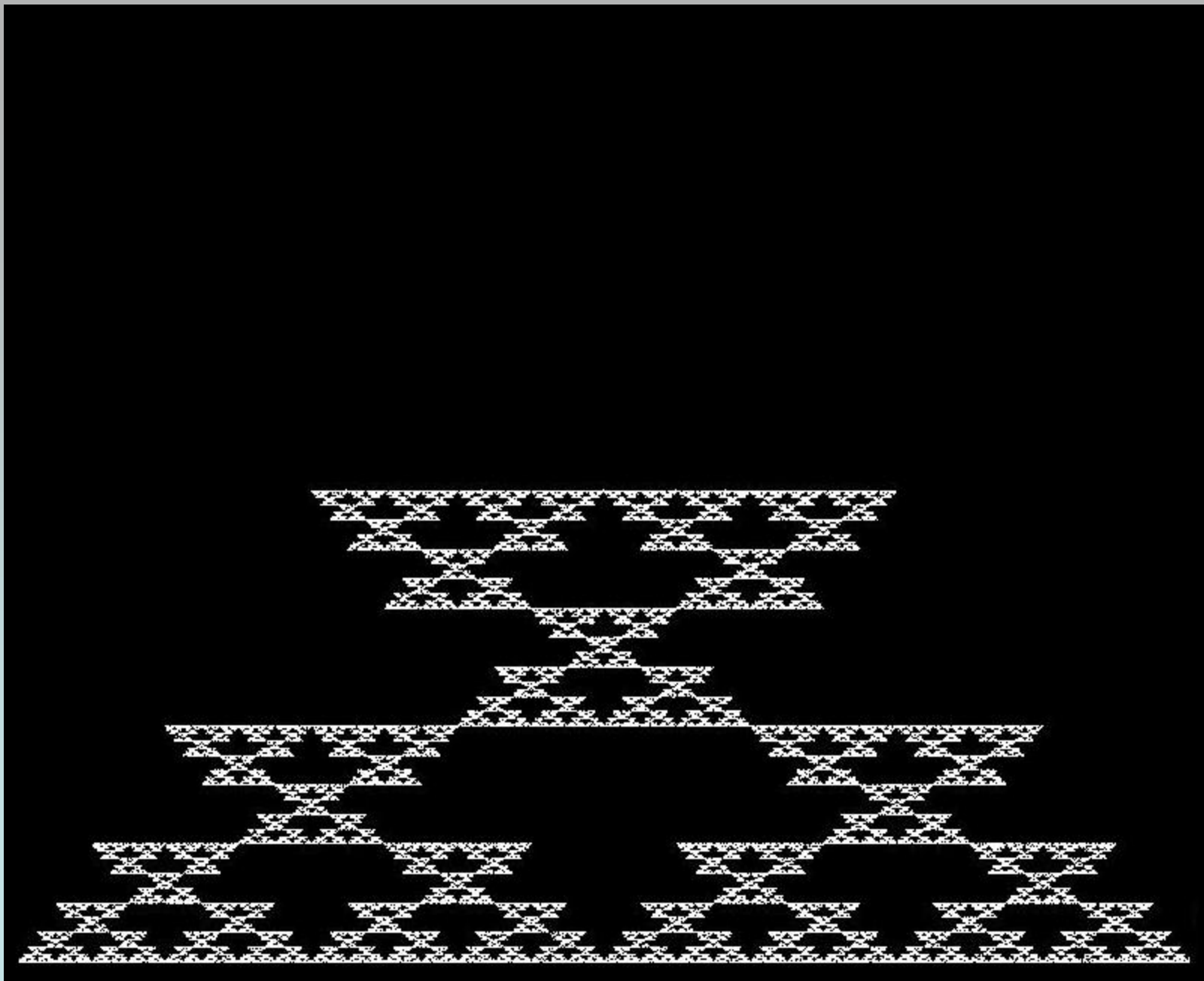
Now remove each '3'  
triangle

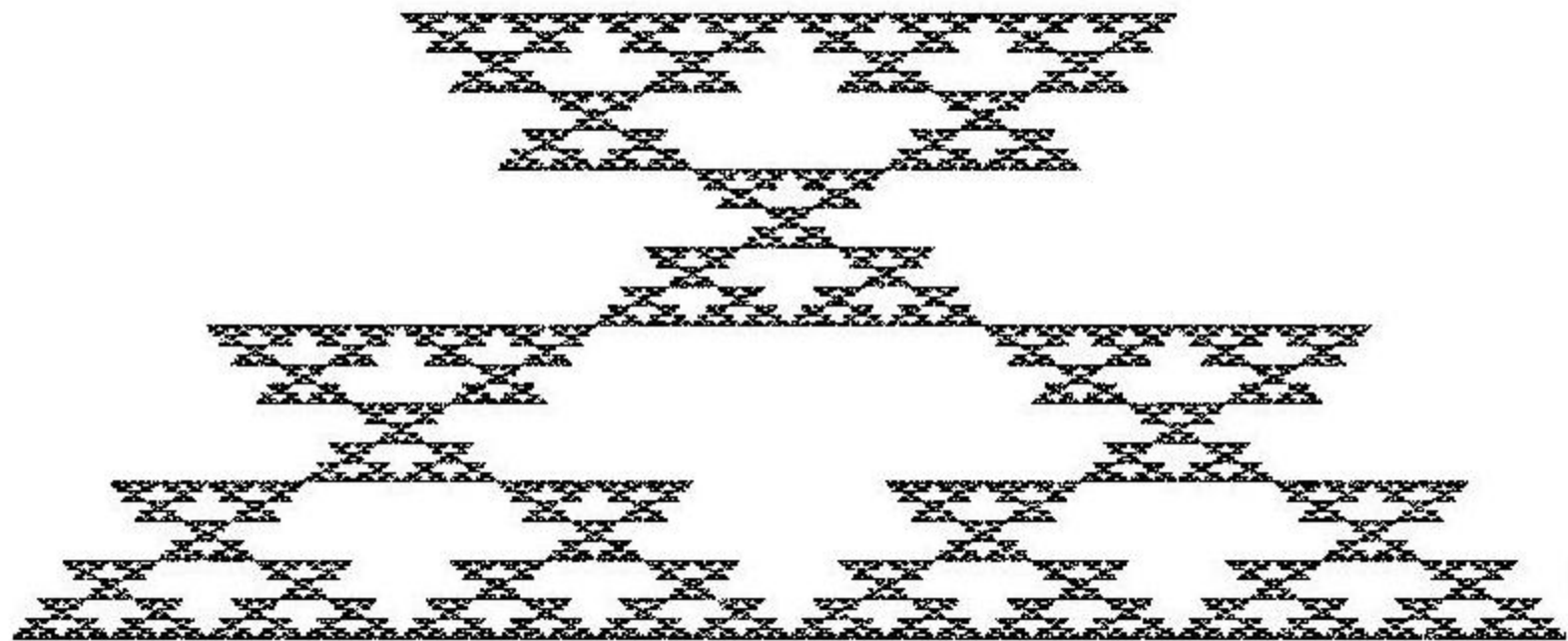




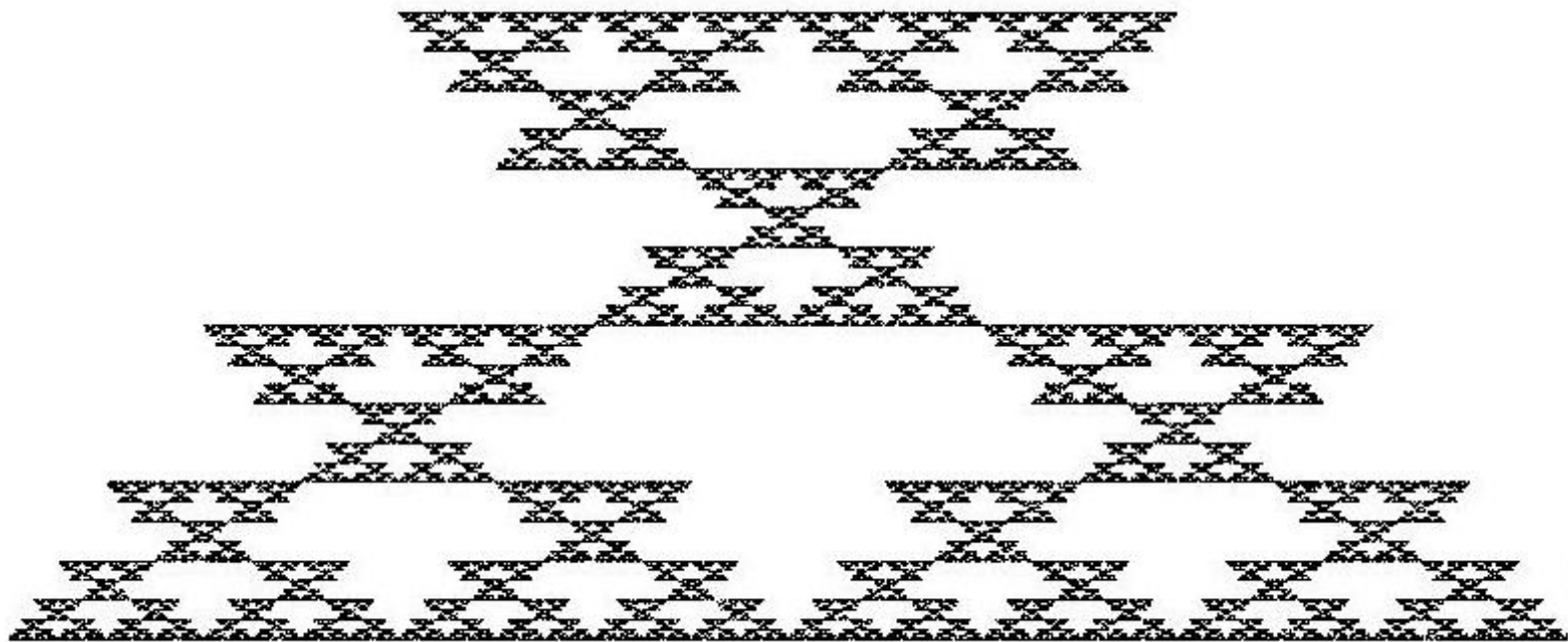






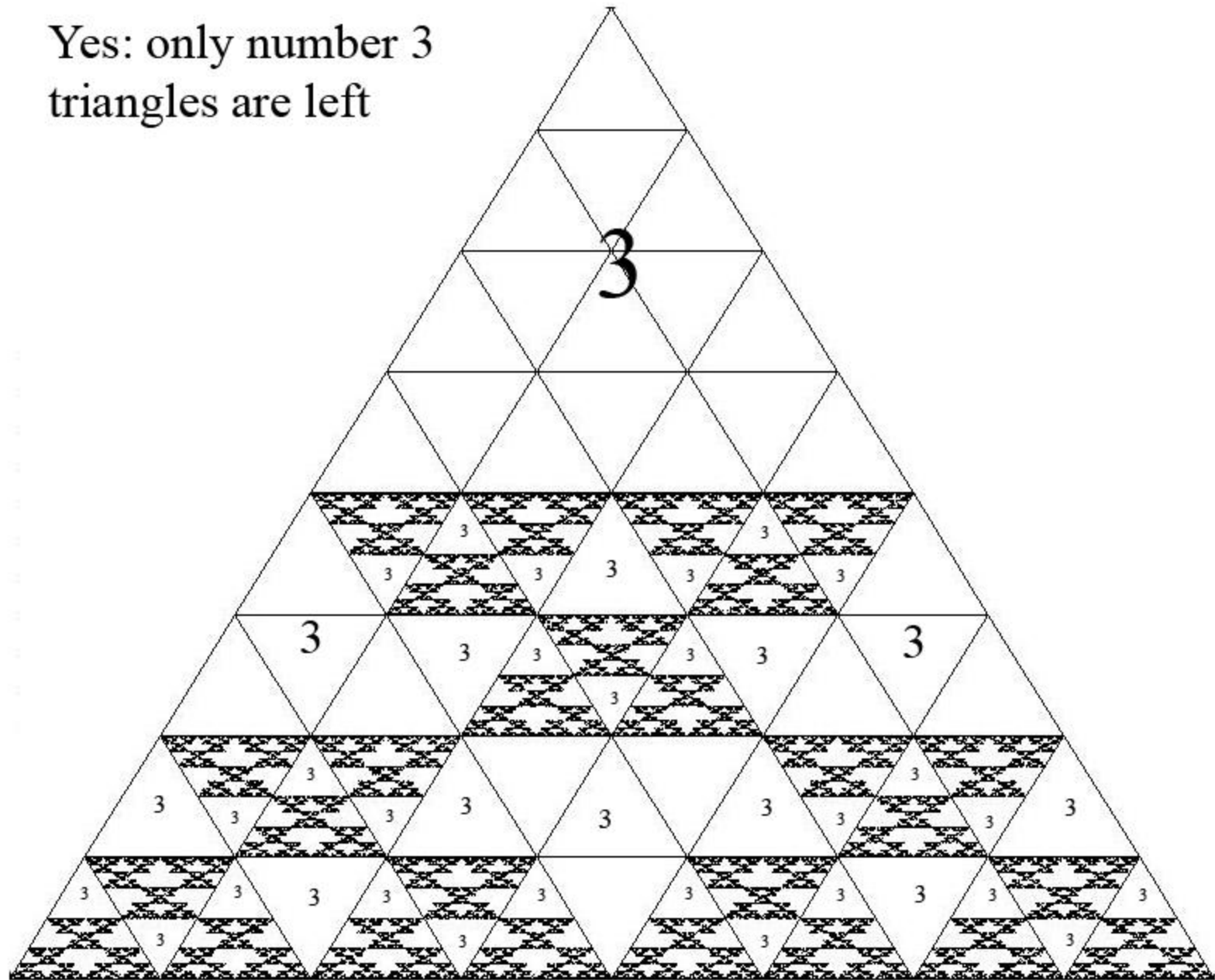


But how do you know this is the result?

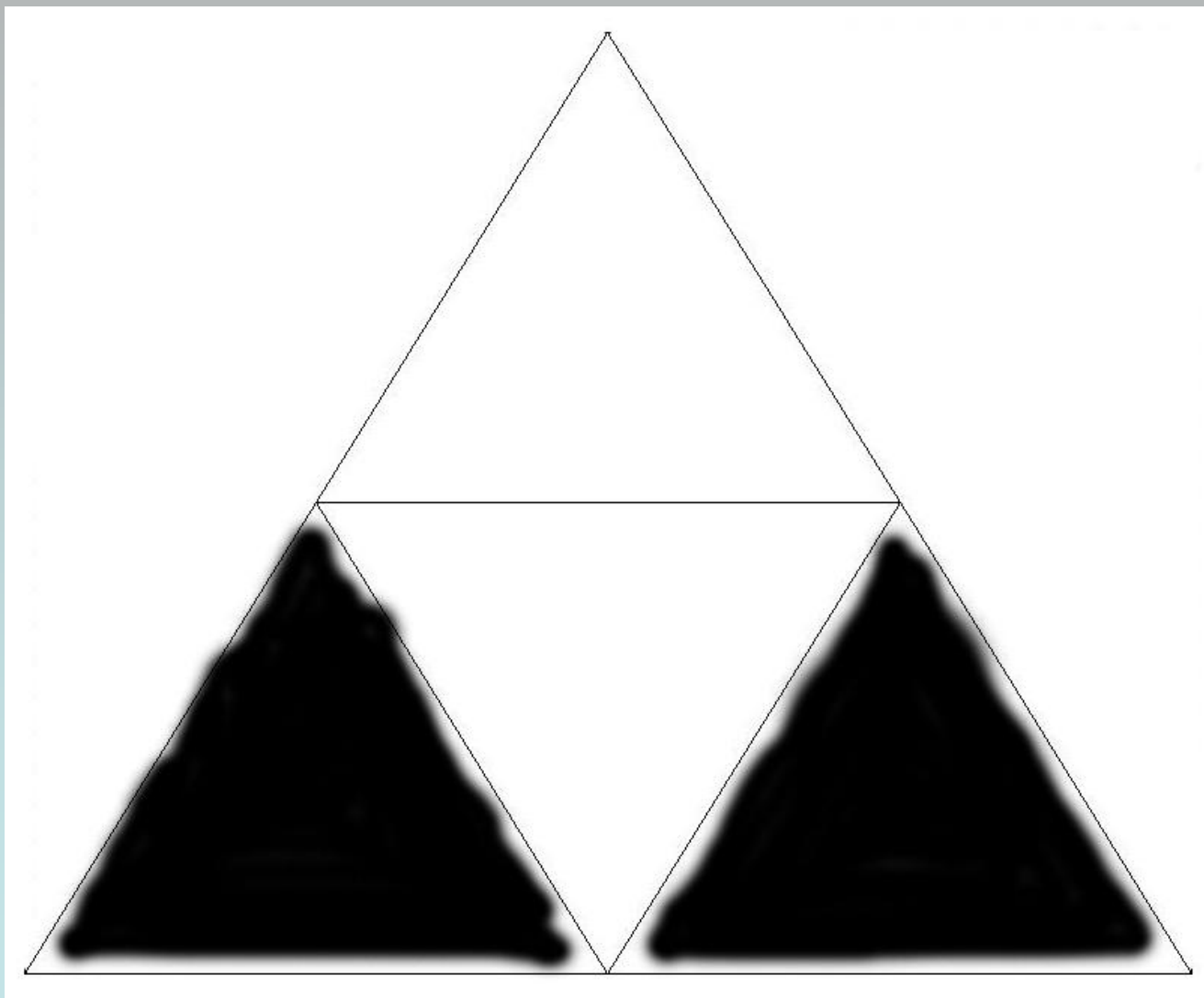


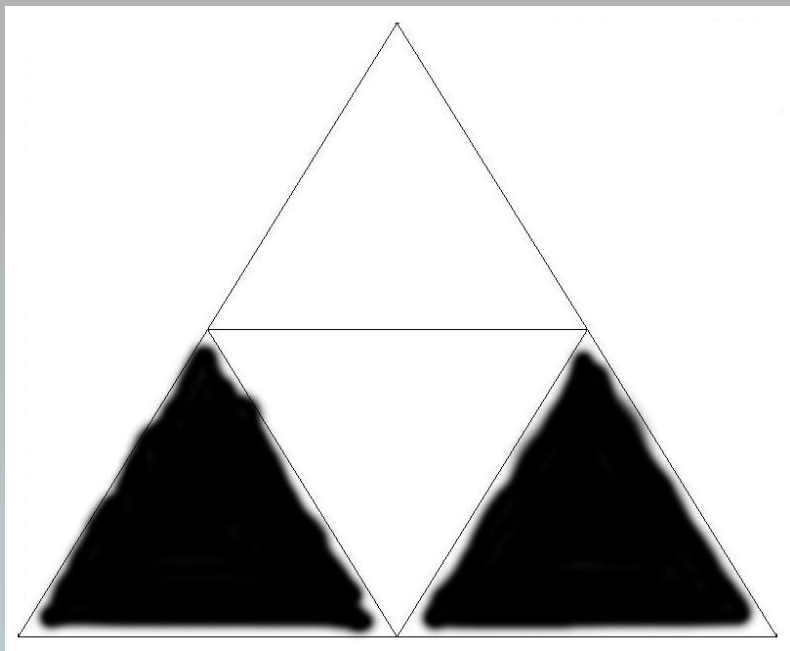


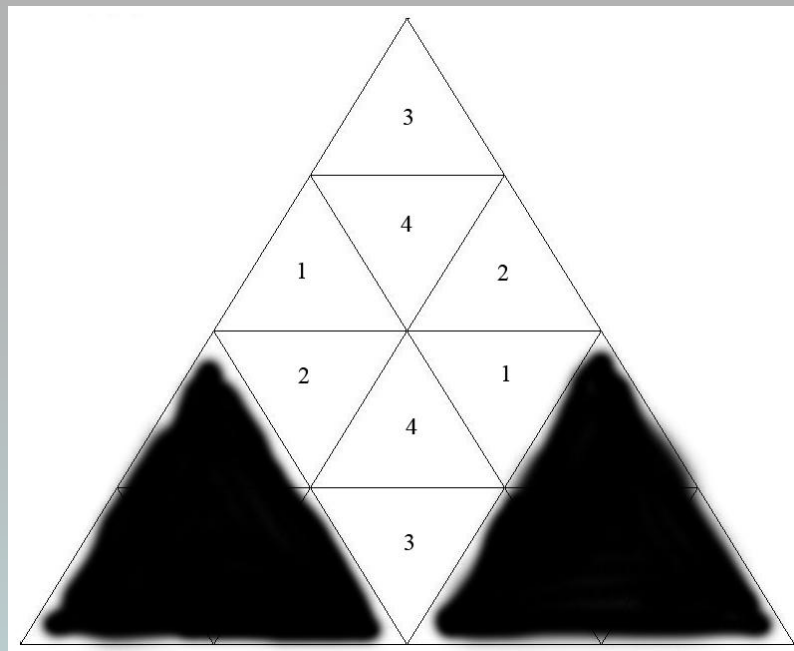
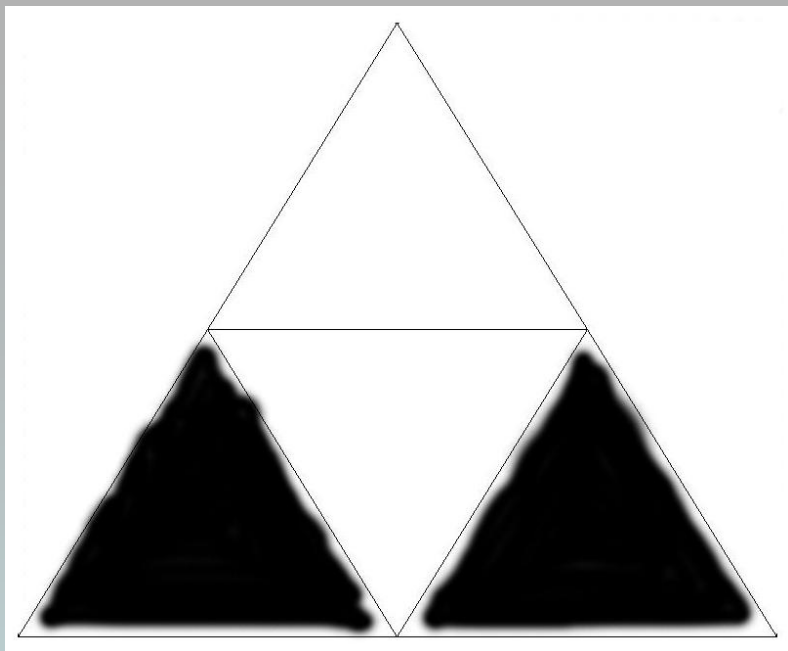
Yes: only number 3  
triangles are left

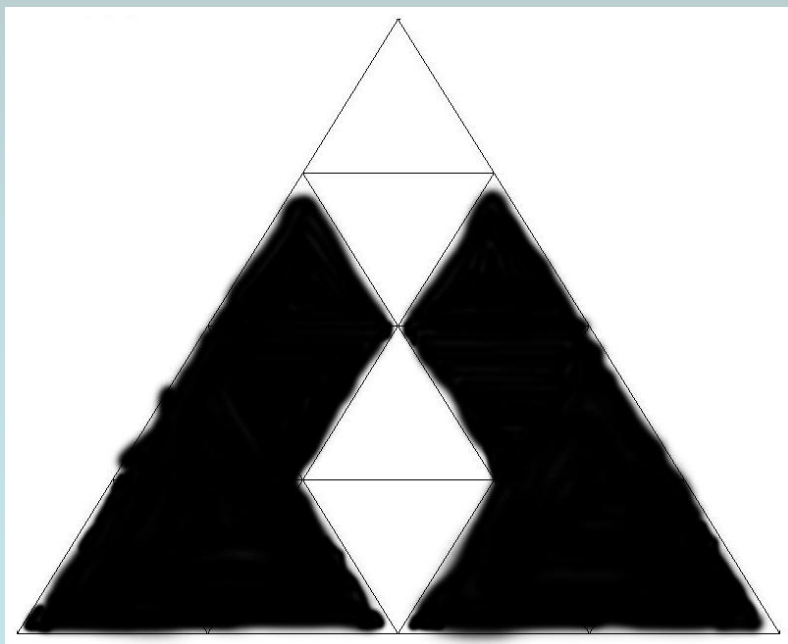
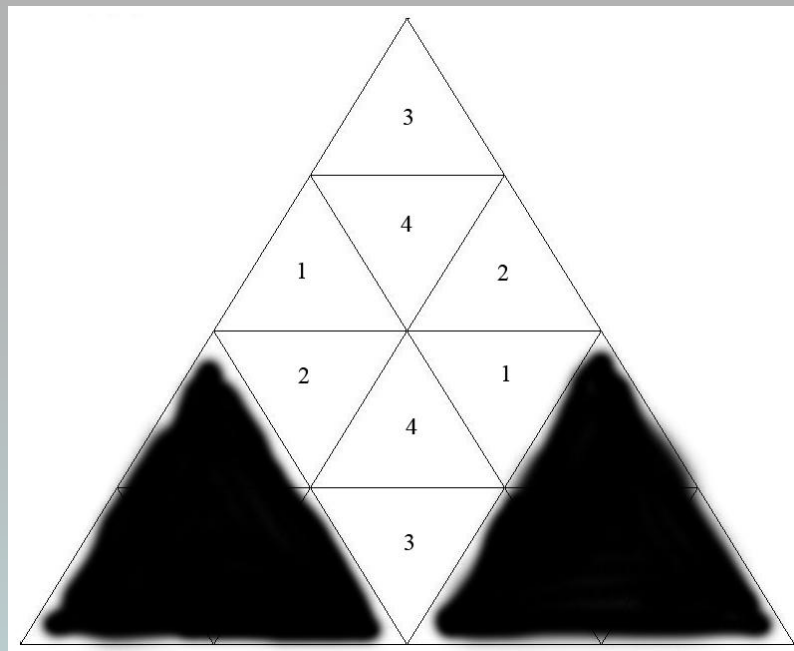
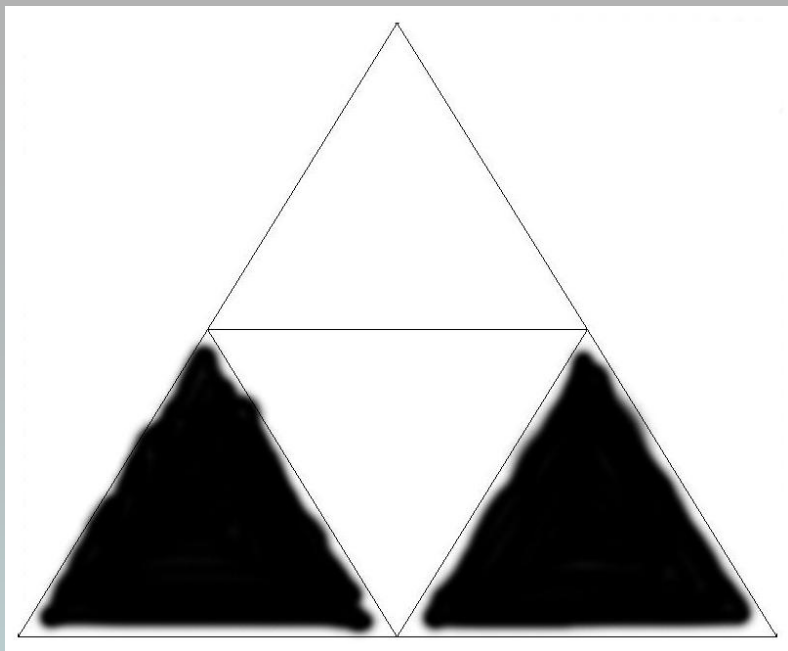


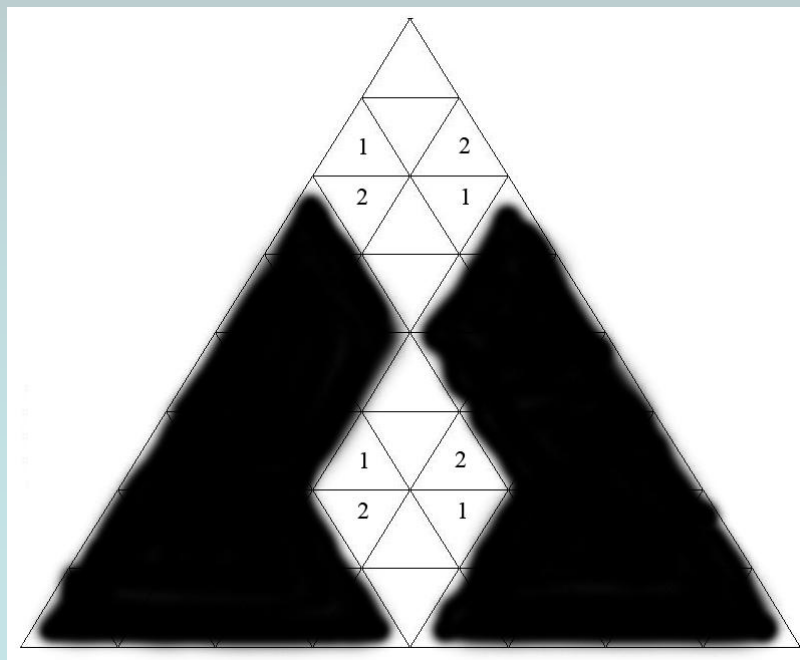
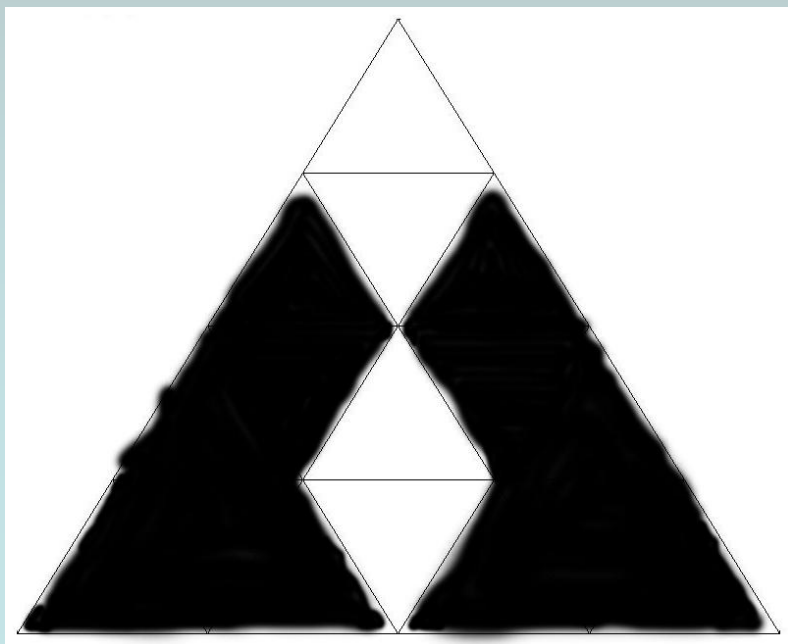
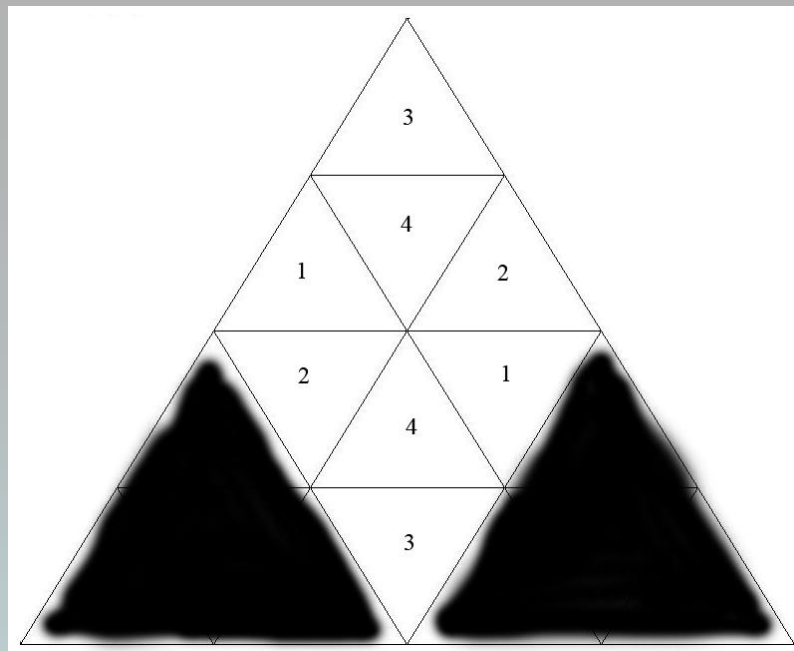
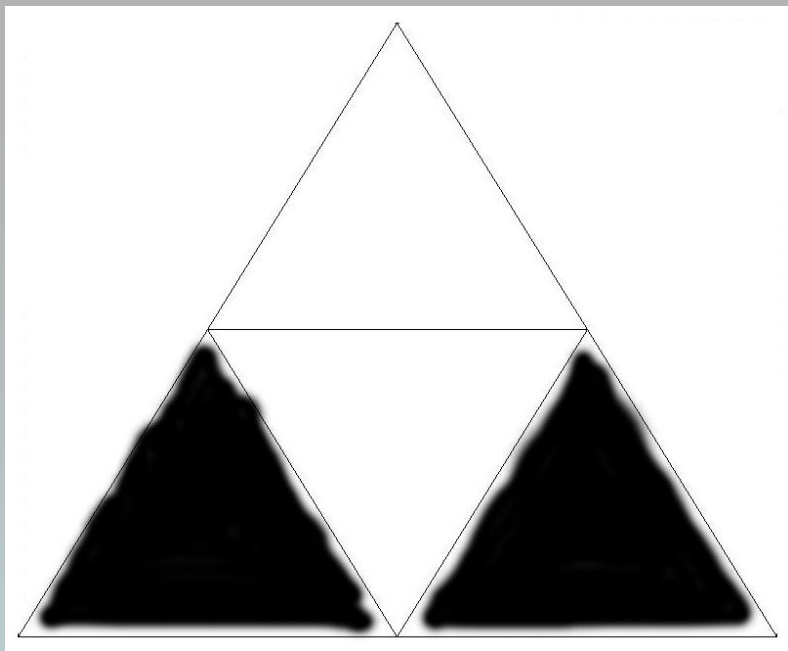
**Another type: Remove triangles 1 and 2**



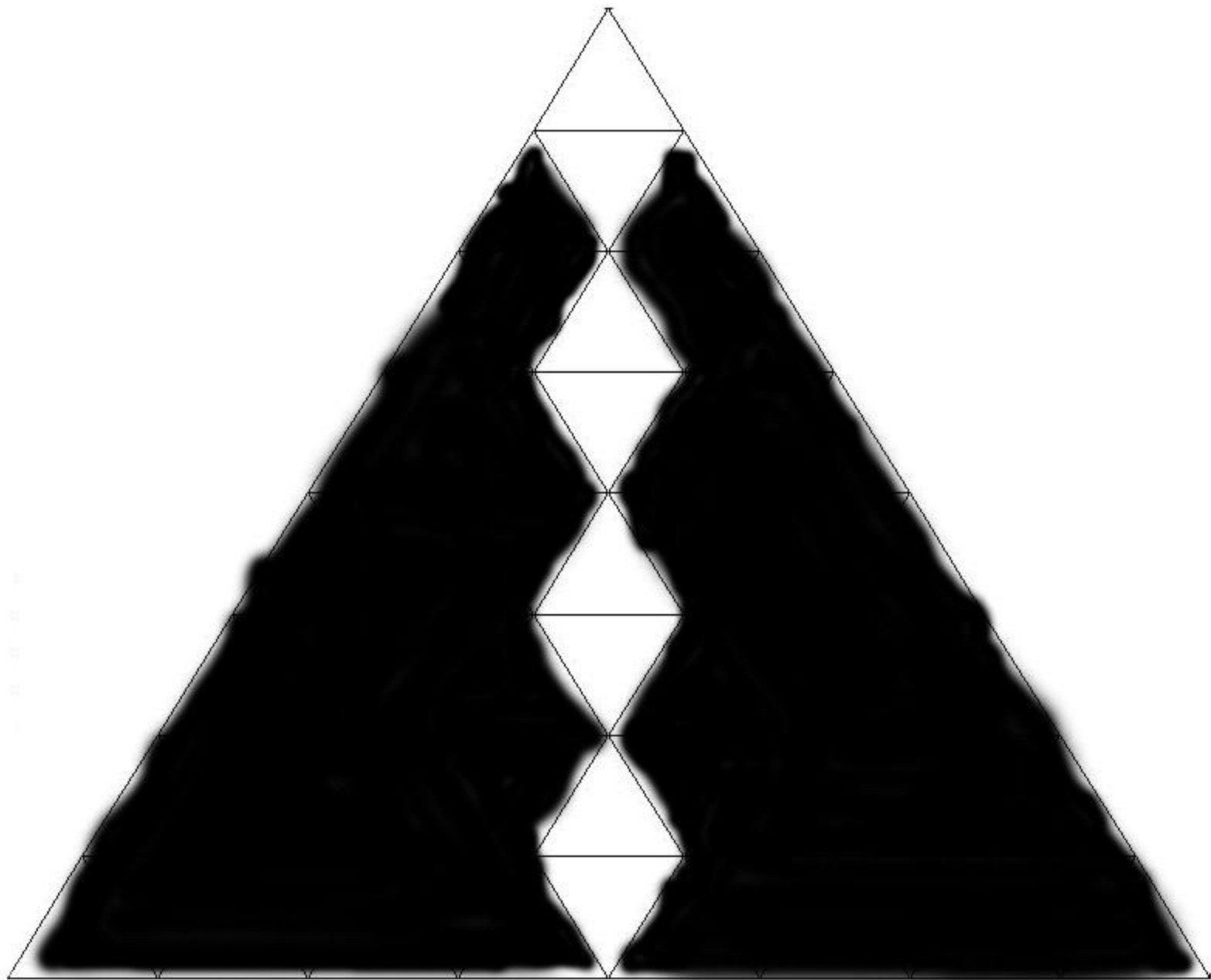




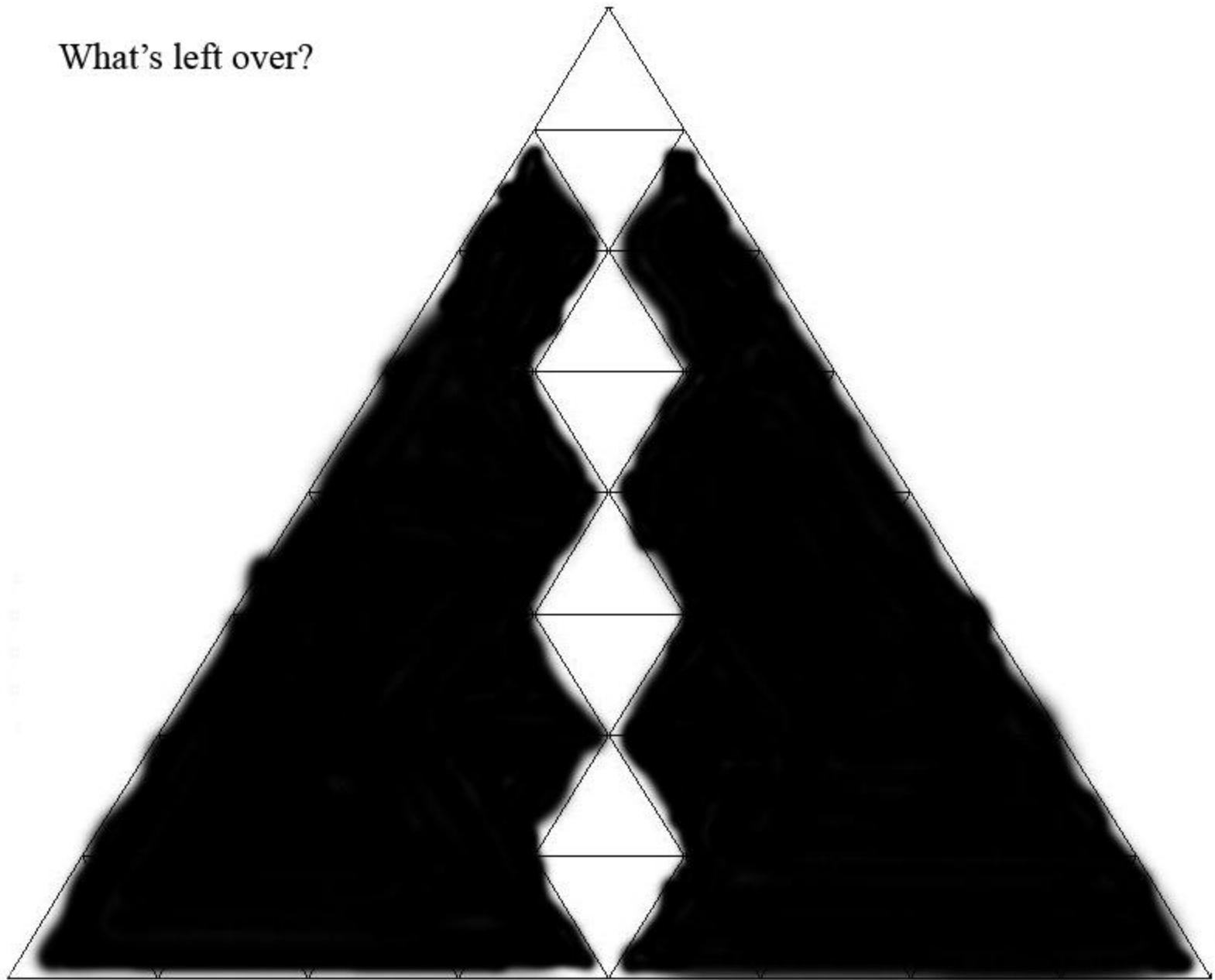




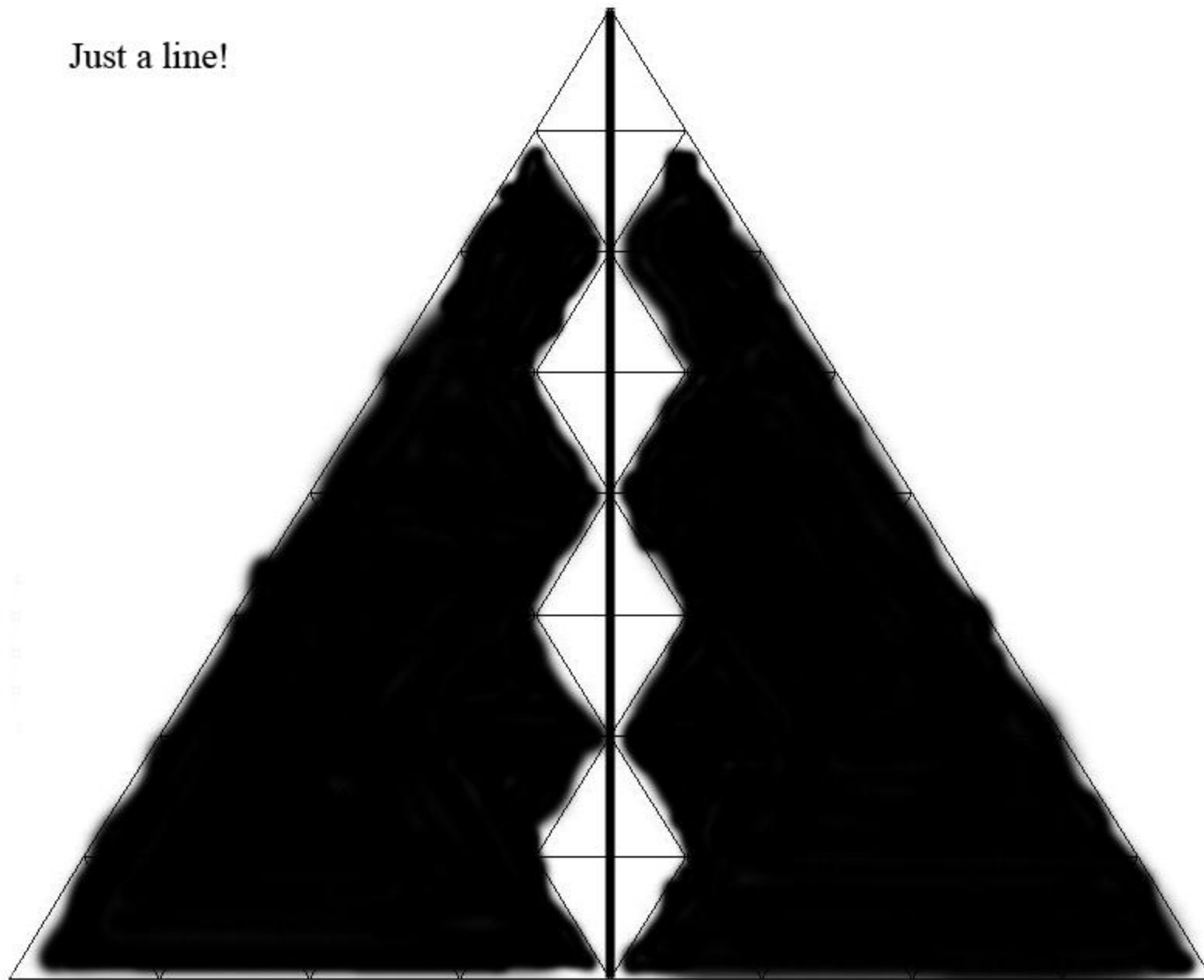




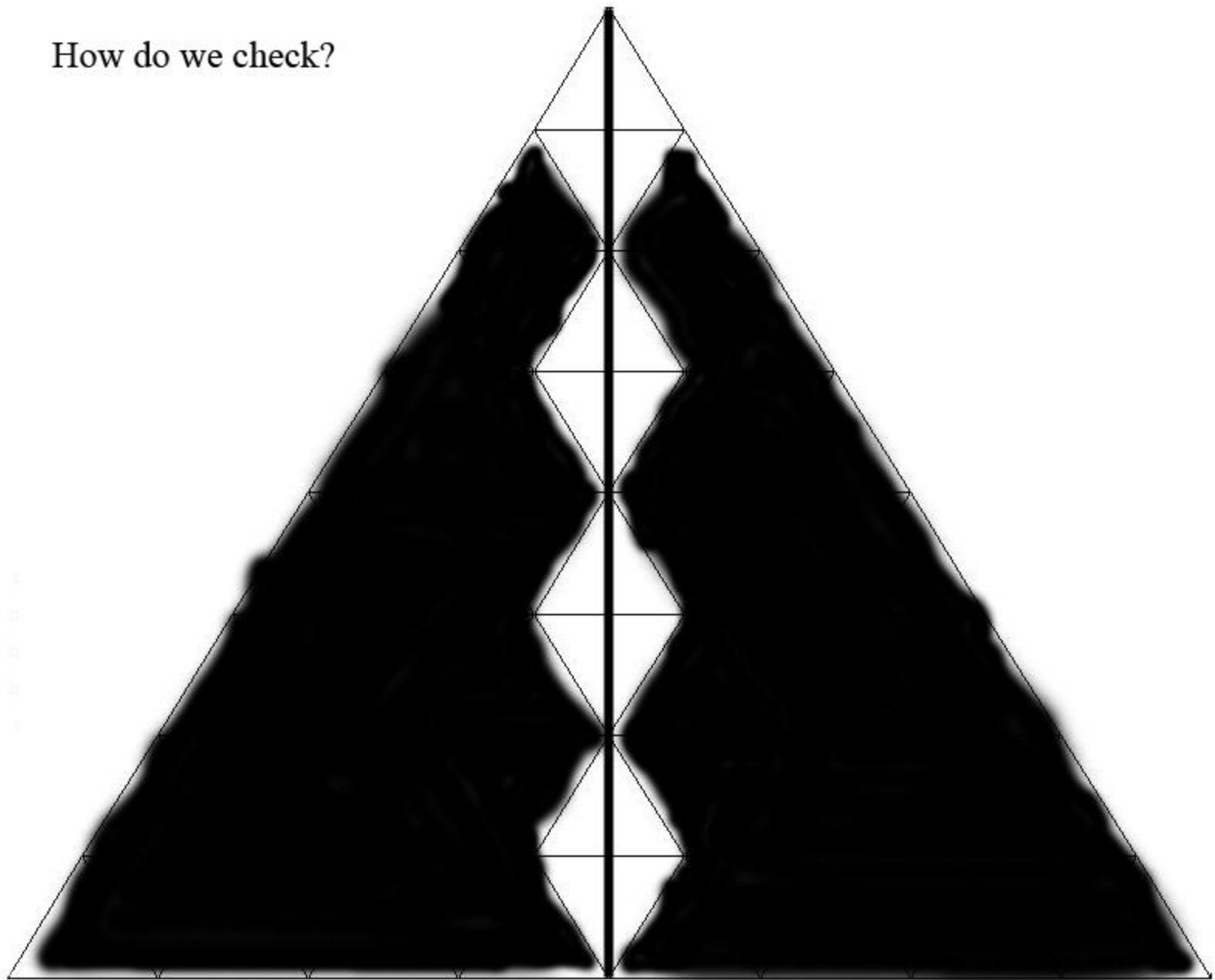
What's left over?



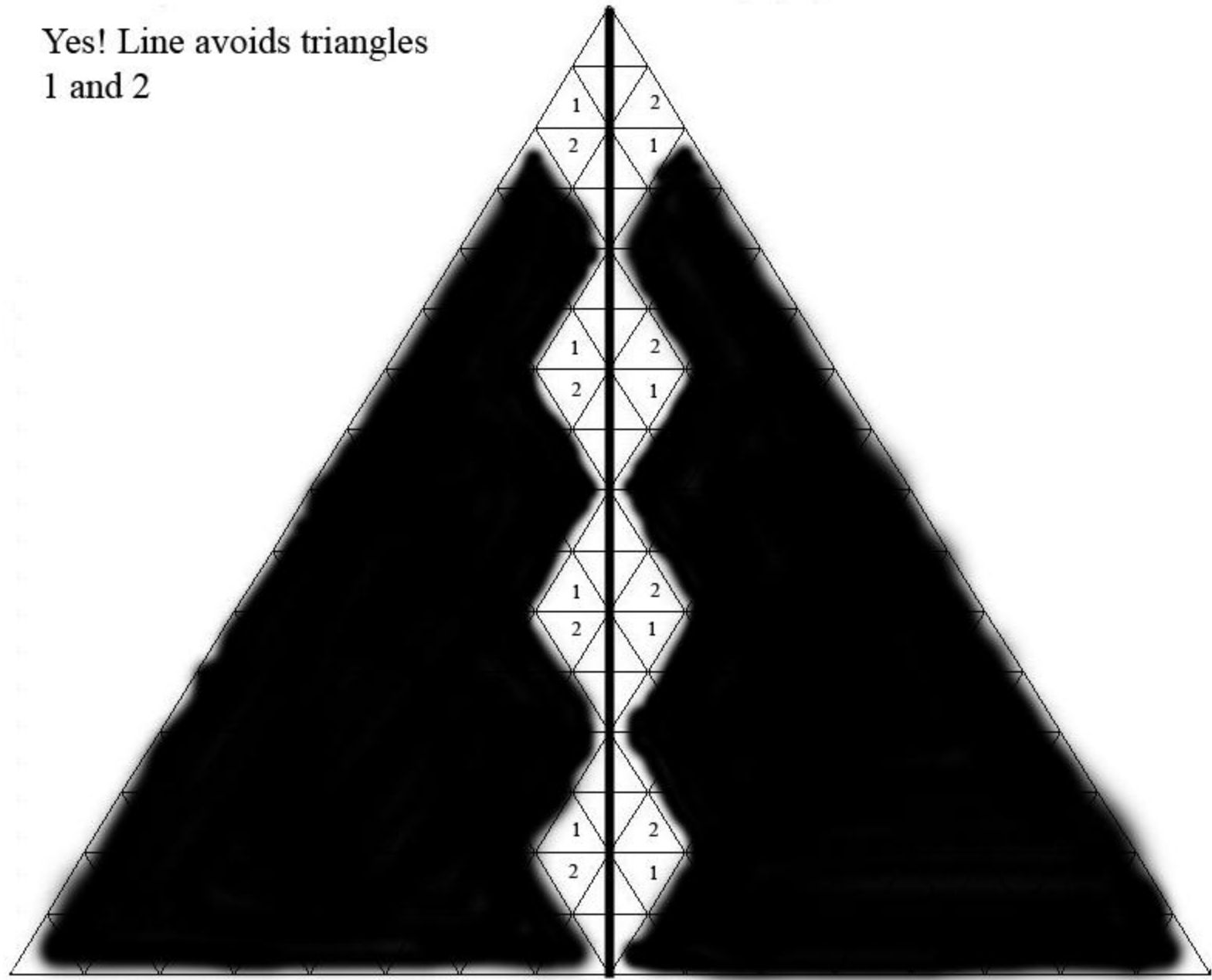
Just a line!



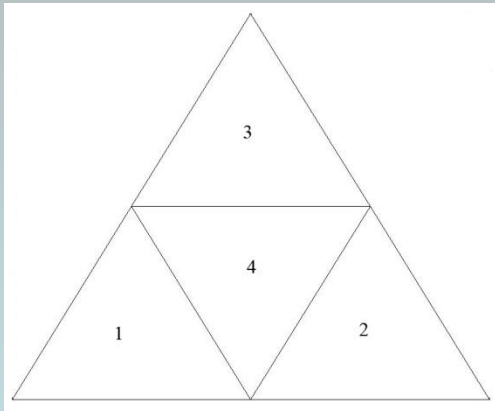
How do we check?



Yes! Line avoids triangles  
1 and 2

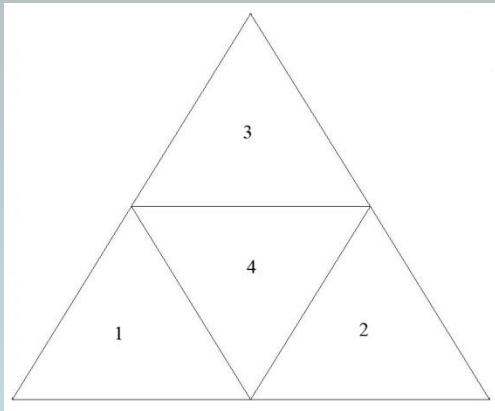


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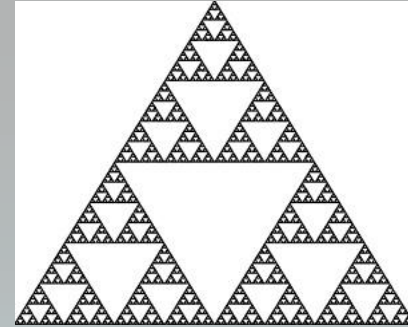




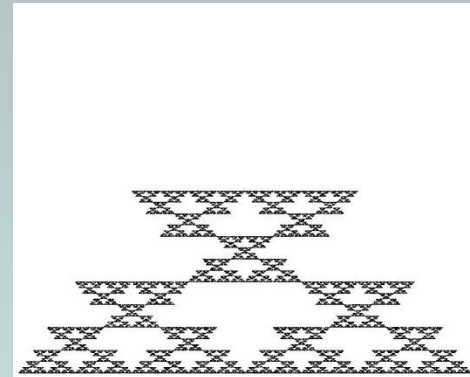
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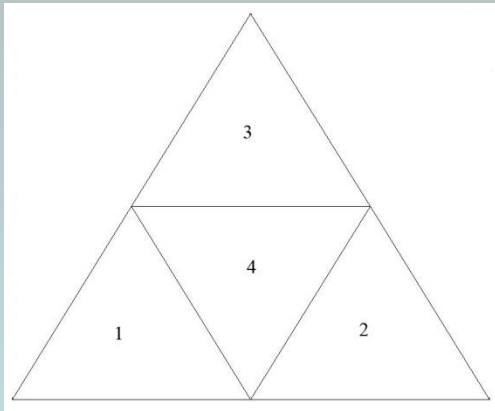
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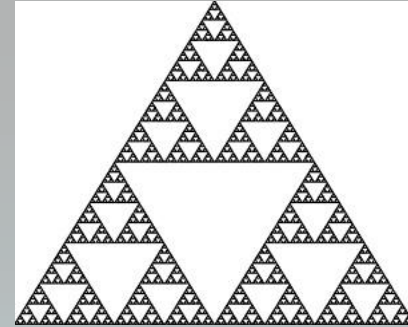
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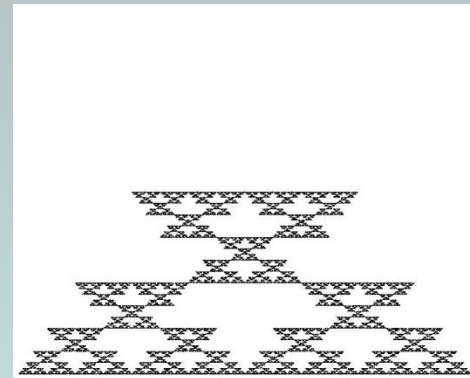
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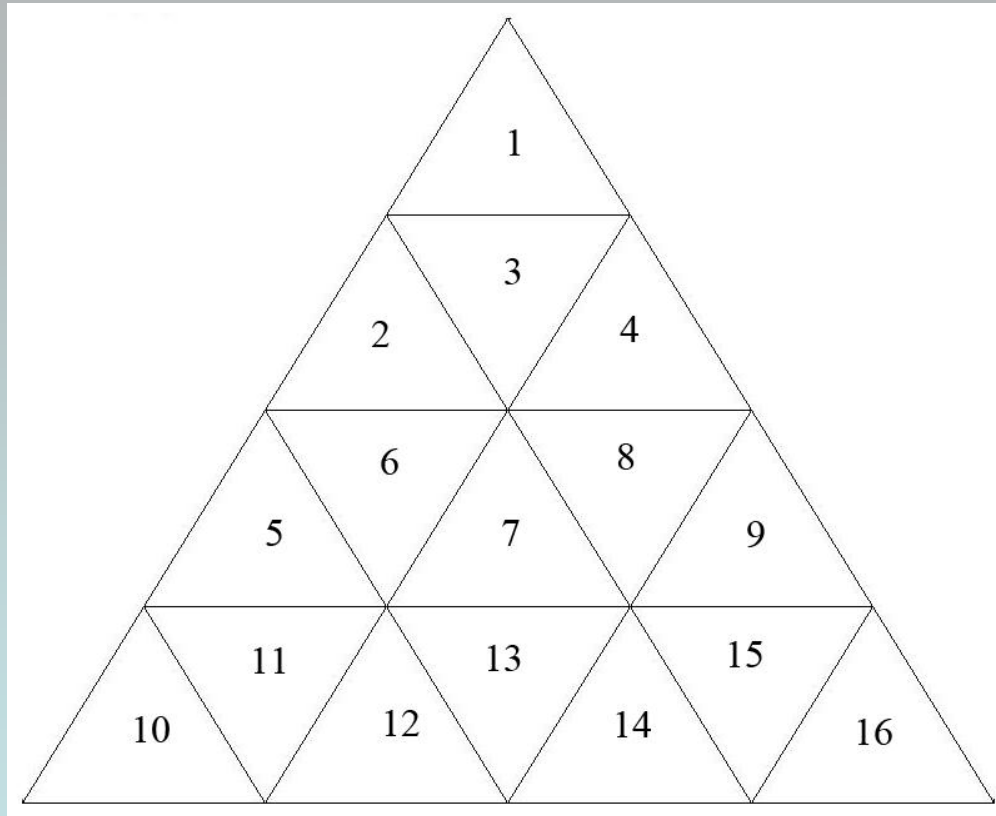


Line (remove any 2 triangles)



Point (remove any 3 triangles)

For more variety, begin with the partition of the triangle into 16 smaller triangles;

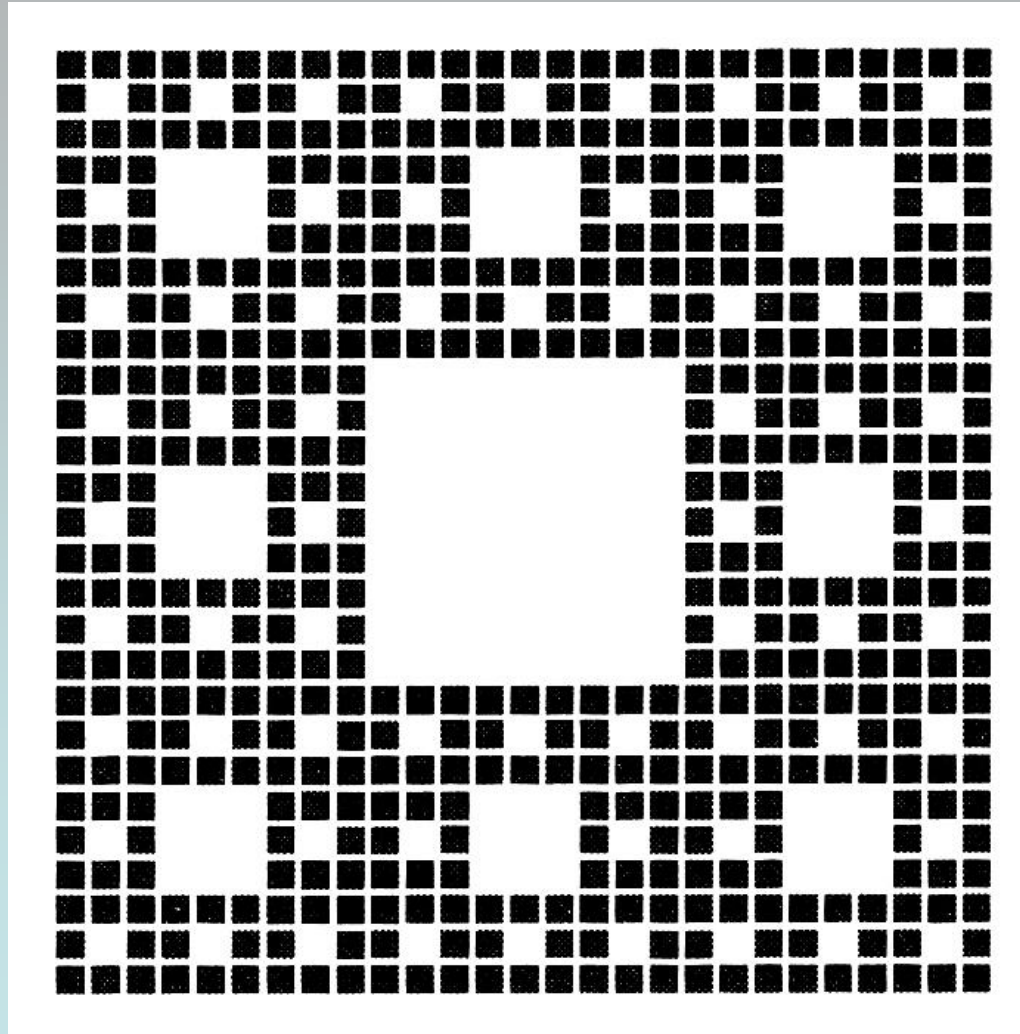


How many different shapes can you make?

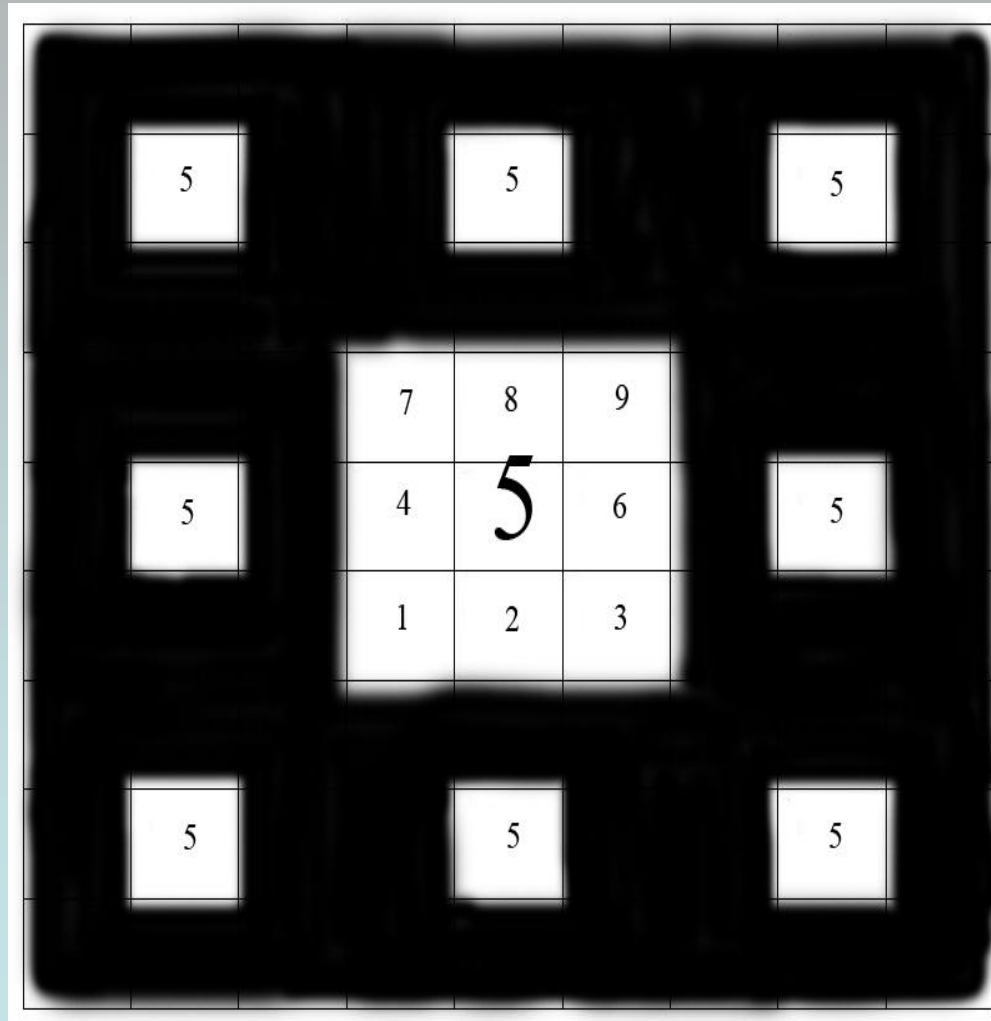
# Can do the same with a square

7	8	9
4	5	6
1	2	3

What is the 'recipe' for this one?

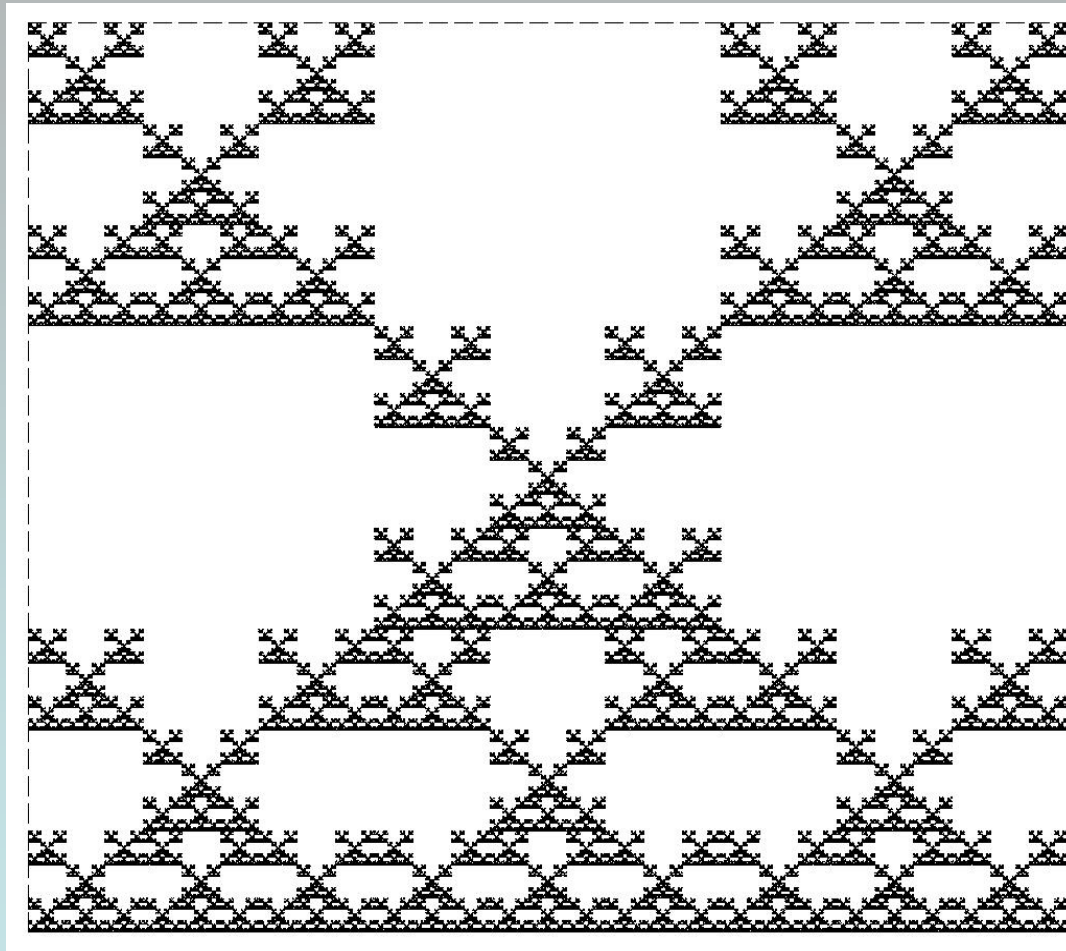


# “Remove all number 5 squares”

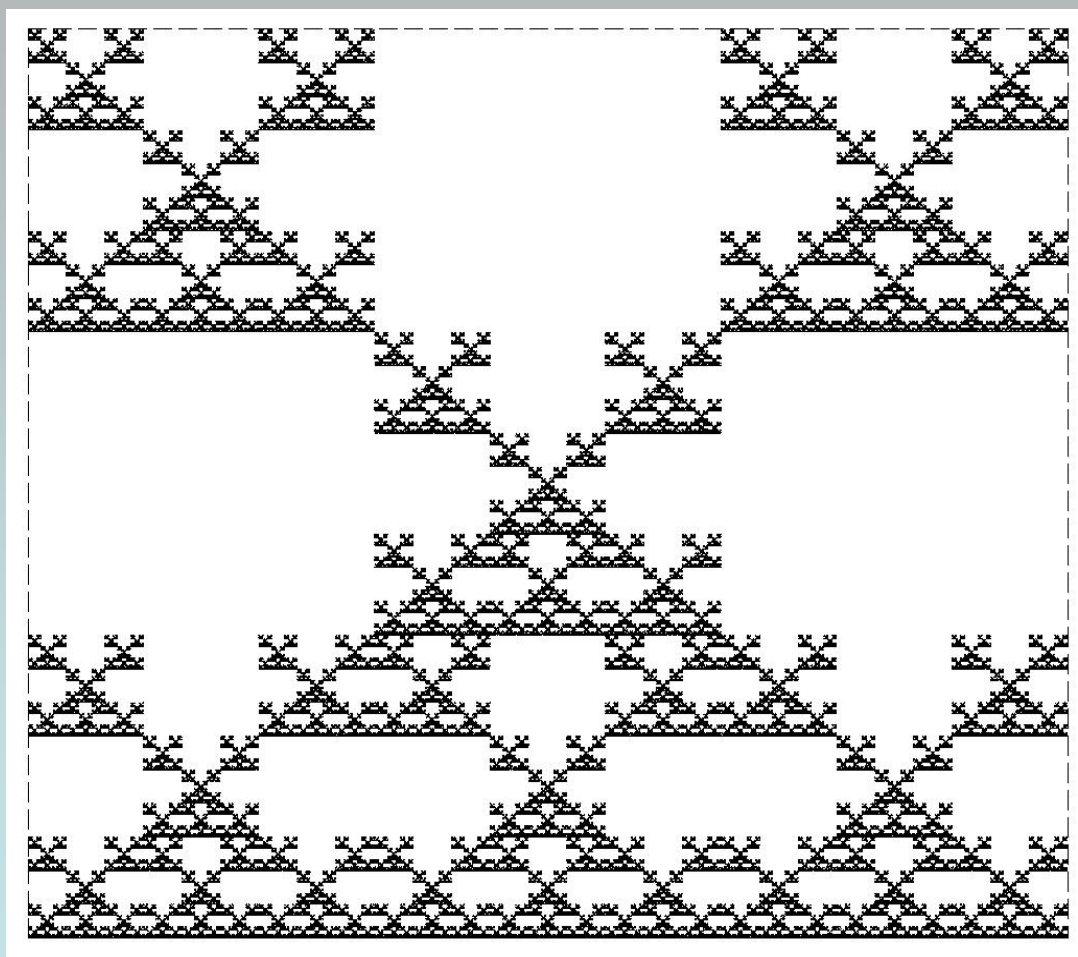




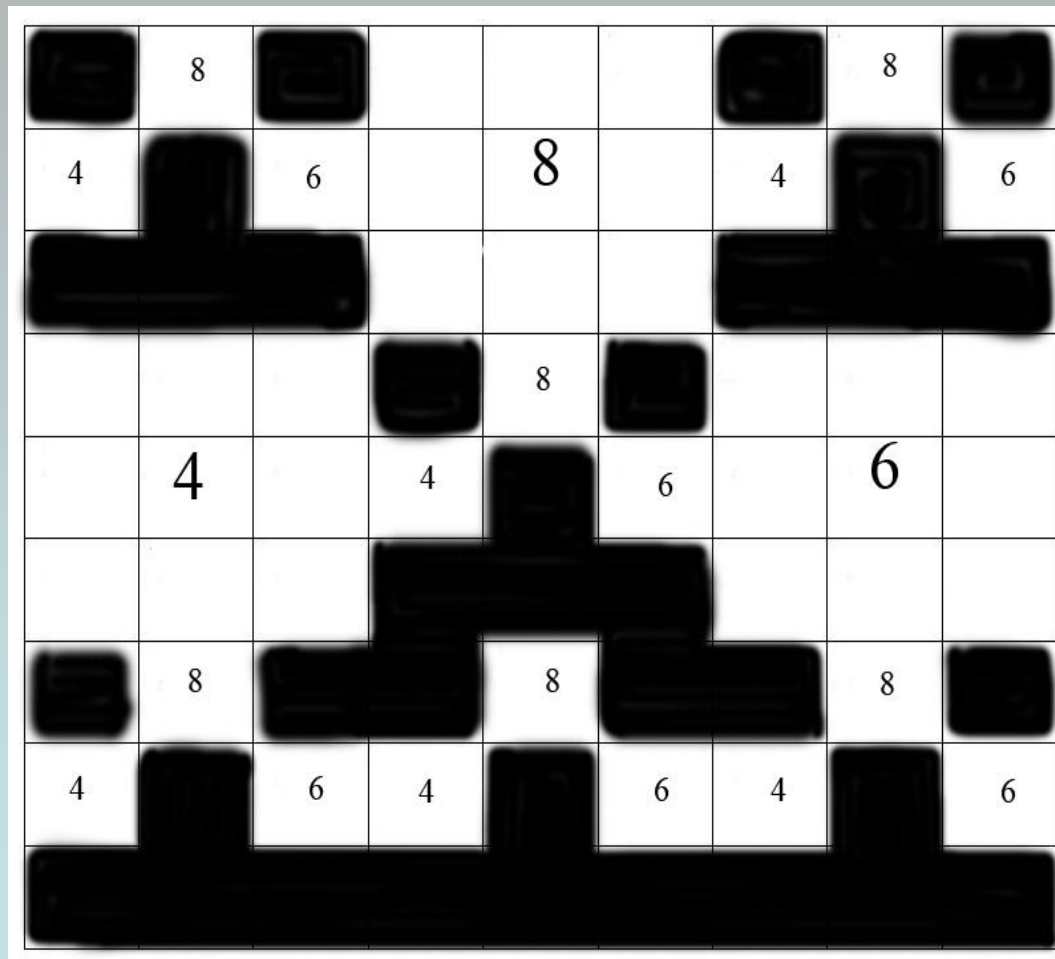
# What is the 'recipe' for this image?



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# Remove all 4, 6, and 8 squares



# The Cantor Set

Begin with the closed interval  $[0, 1]$ .

Remove the open middle third;  $(1/3, 2/3)$ . Left with  $[0, 1/3] \cup [2/3, 1]$ .

Now remove the middle third of each of these intervals. Left with  
 $[0, 1/9] \cup [2/9, 1/3] \cup [2/3, 7/9] \cup [8/9, 1]$

Repeat ad infinitum . . . .

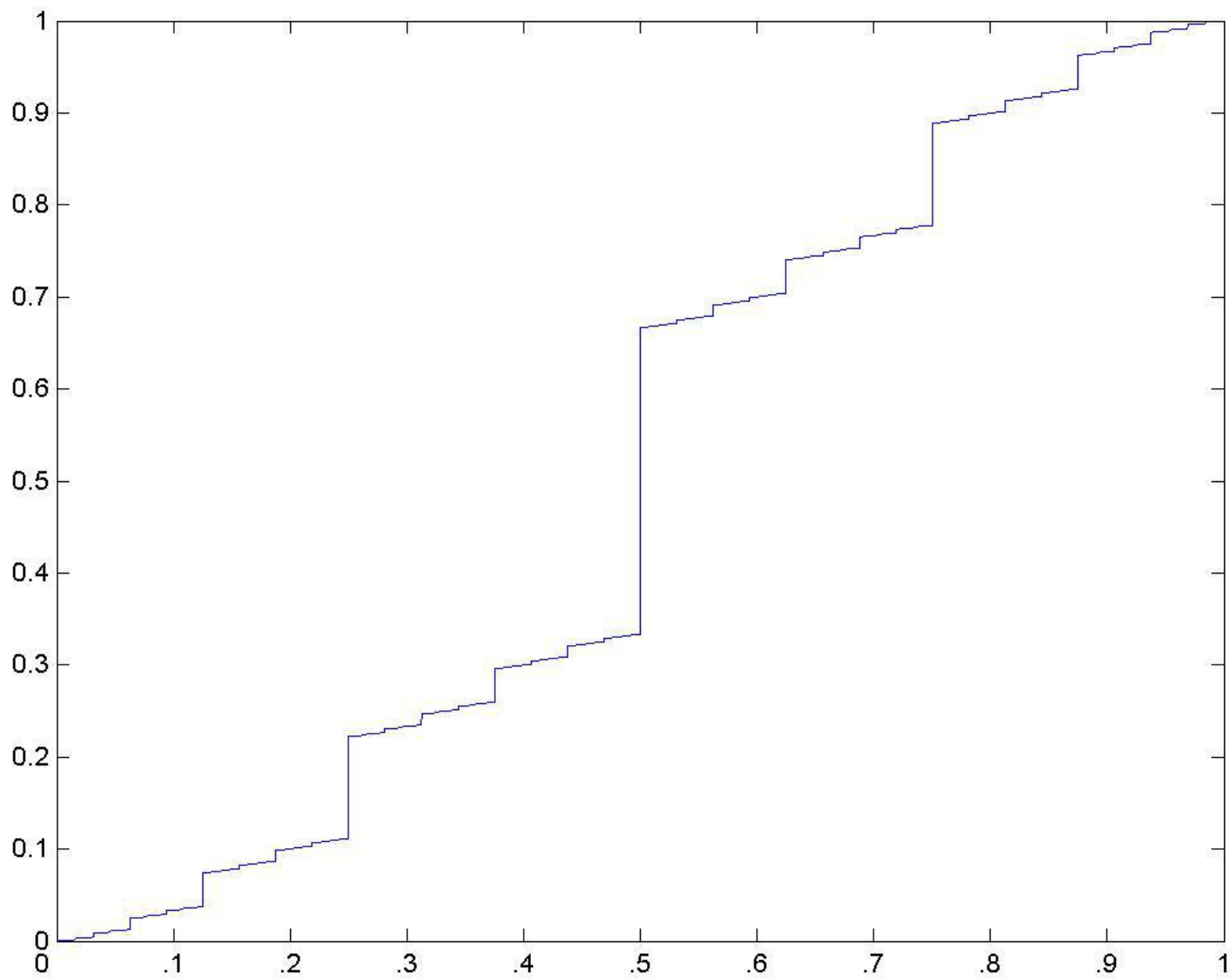


## Some (remarkable) properties of the Cantor set $C$ :

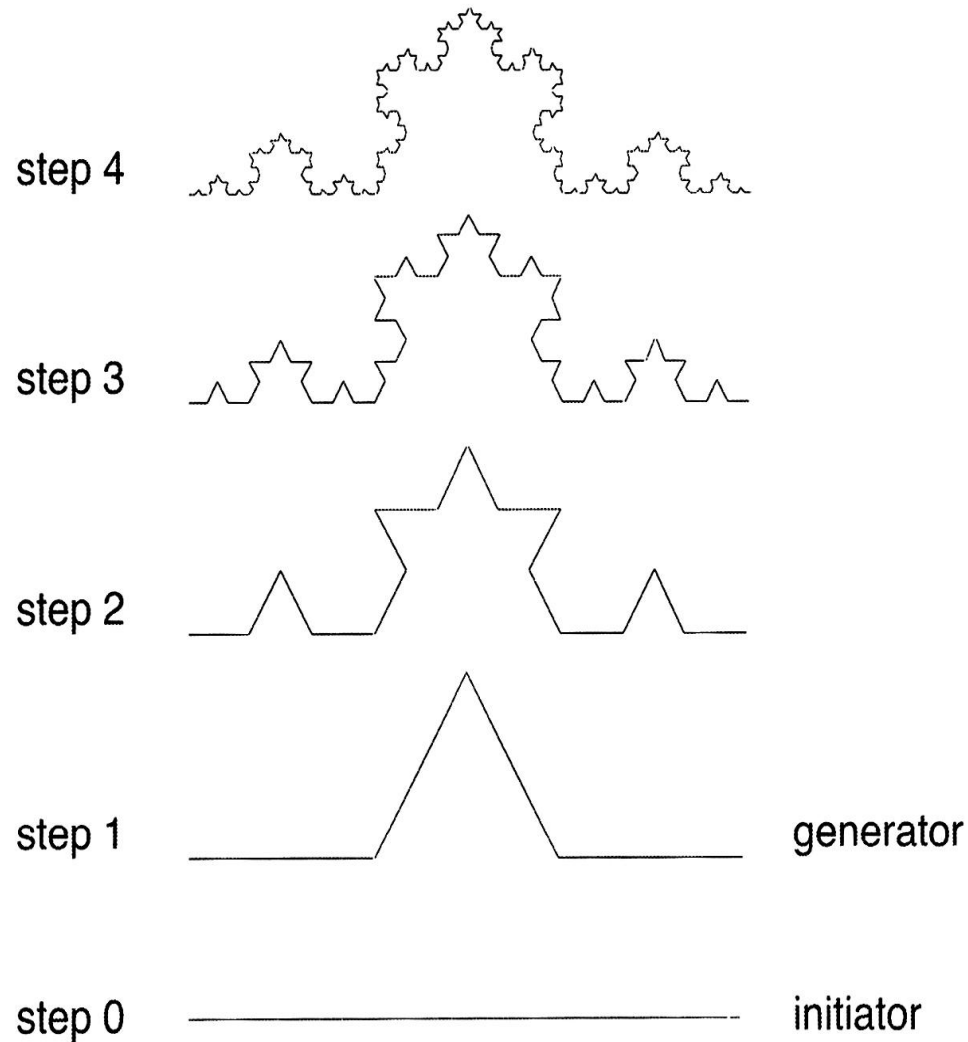
- length is zero (removed a set of length 1!)
- is dust
- is self-similar
- has the same number (cardinality) of points as  $[0,1]!!$

In other words, we 'rearranged' the points in  $[0,1]$   
so that they now have length 0

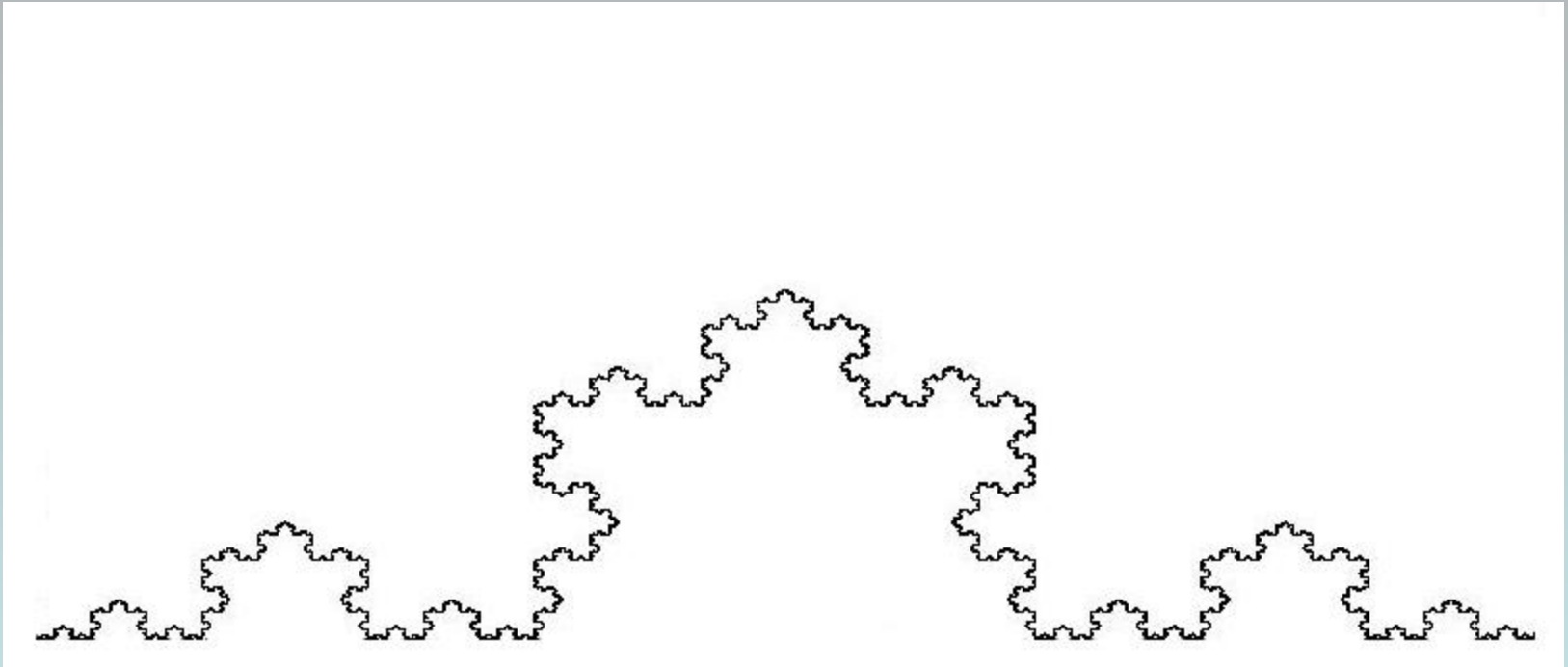


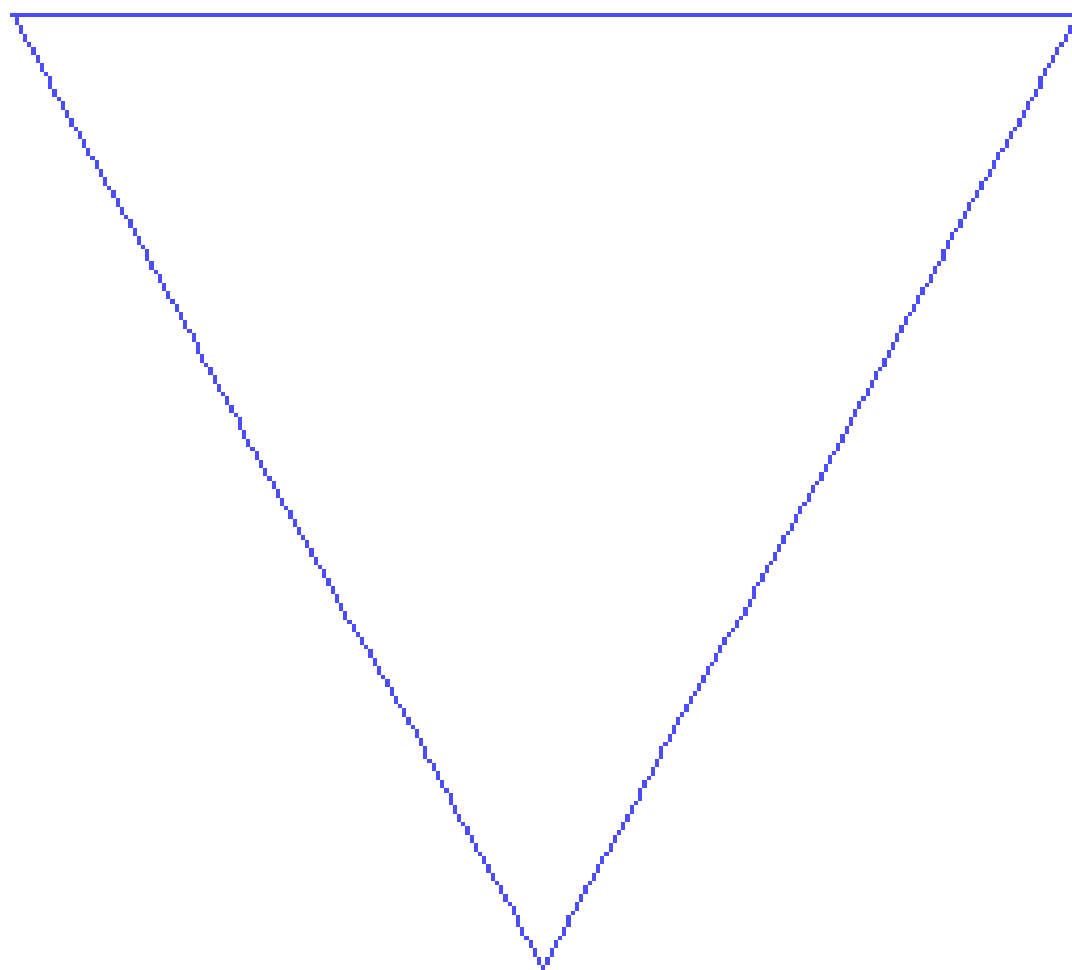


# Adding pieces



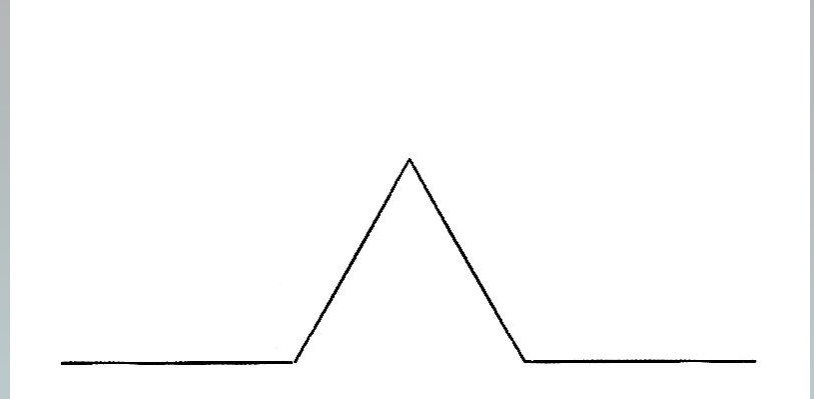
# Finally.....



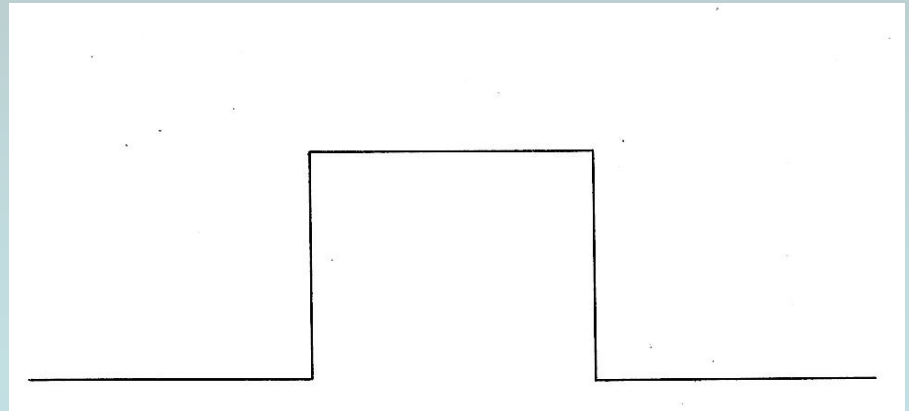


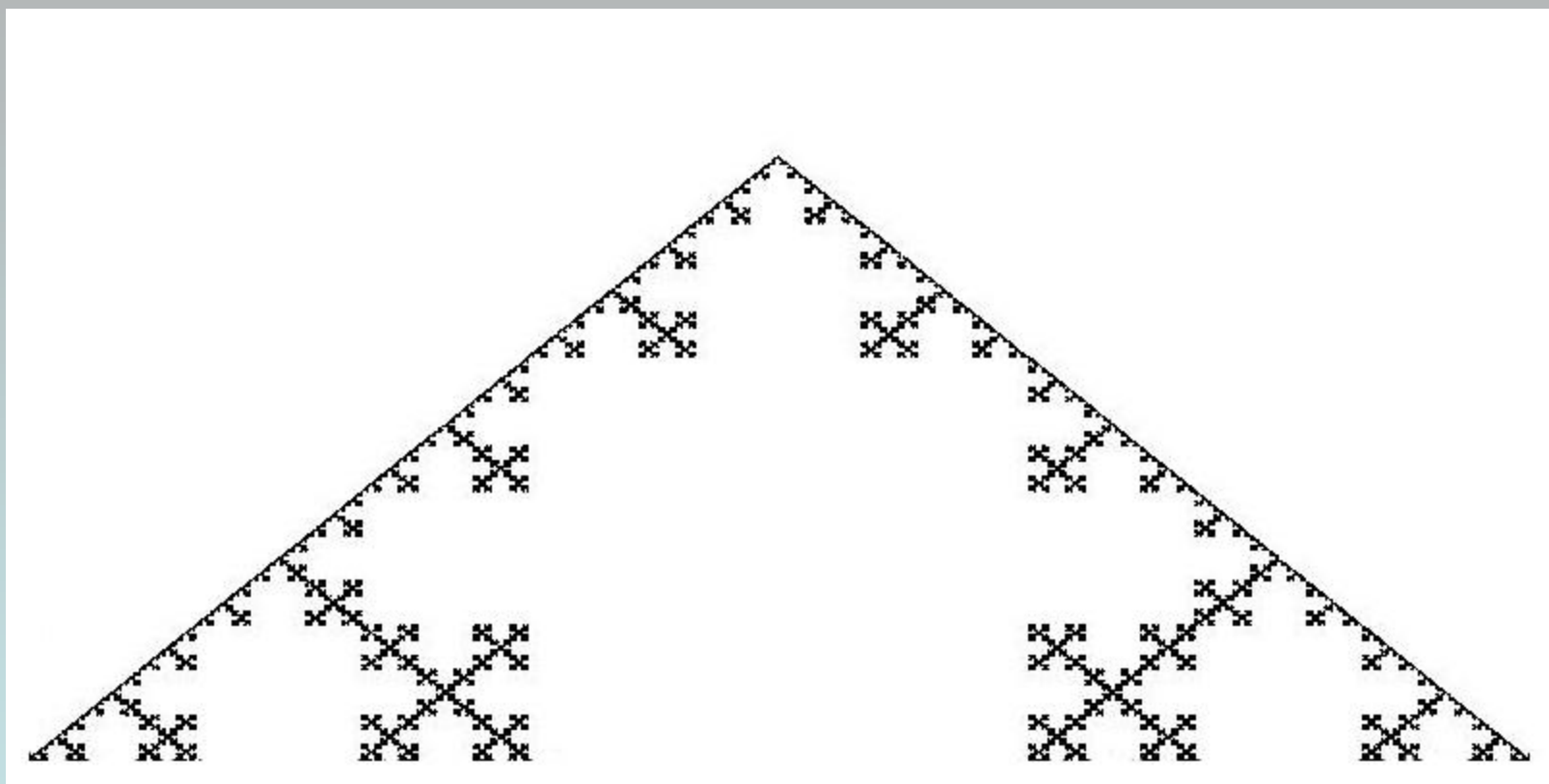
# Try this:

Instead of this generator



Use this one  
(all sides  $\frac{1}{3}$  long)





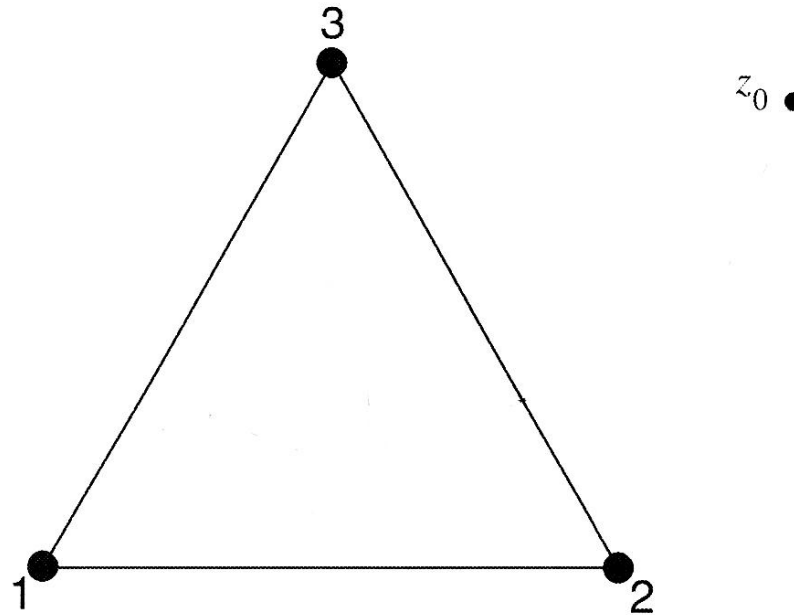


# The Chaos Game

# Playing the Chaos game to draw fractals

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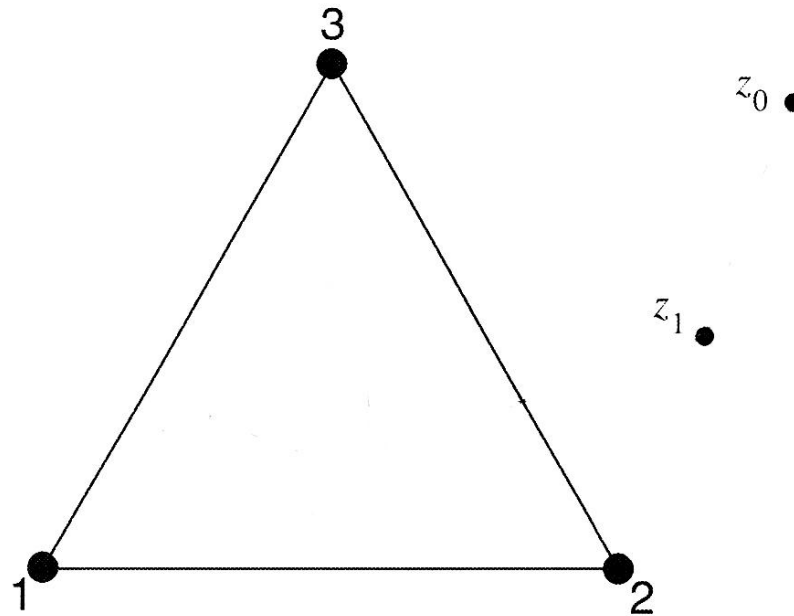
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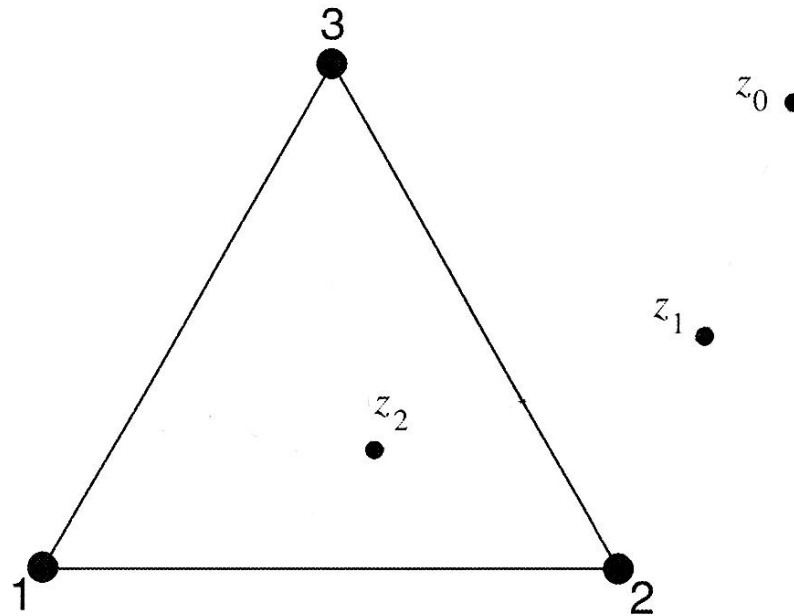
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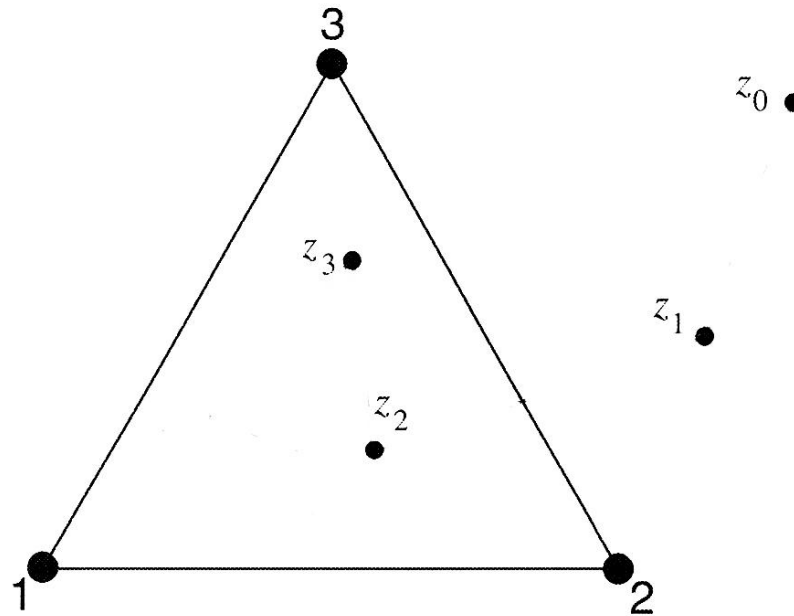
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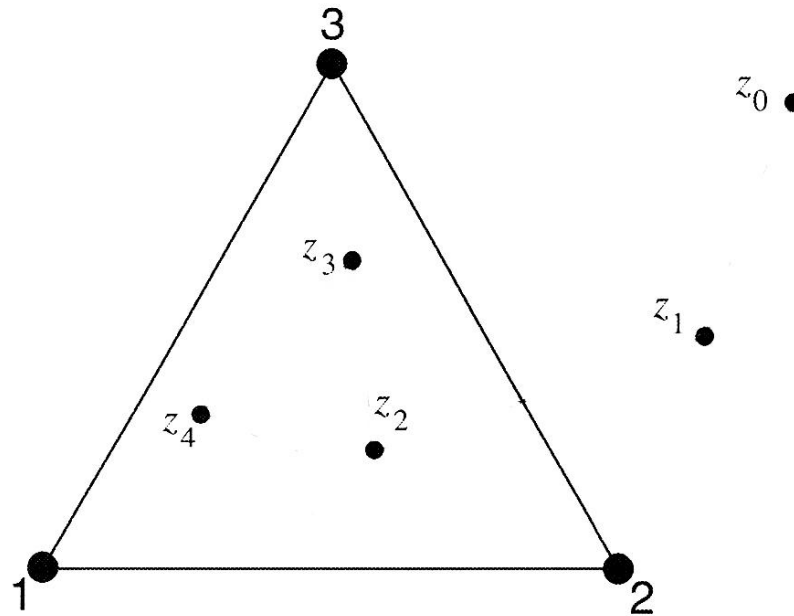
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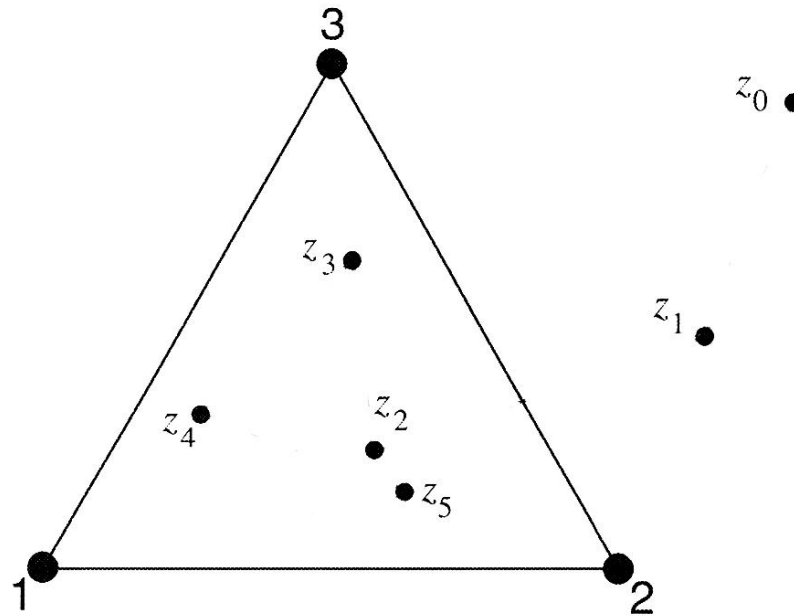




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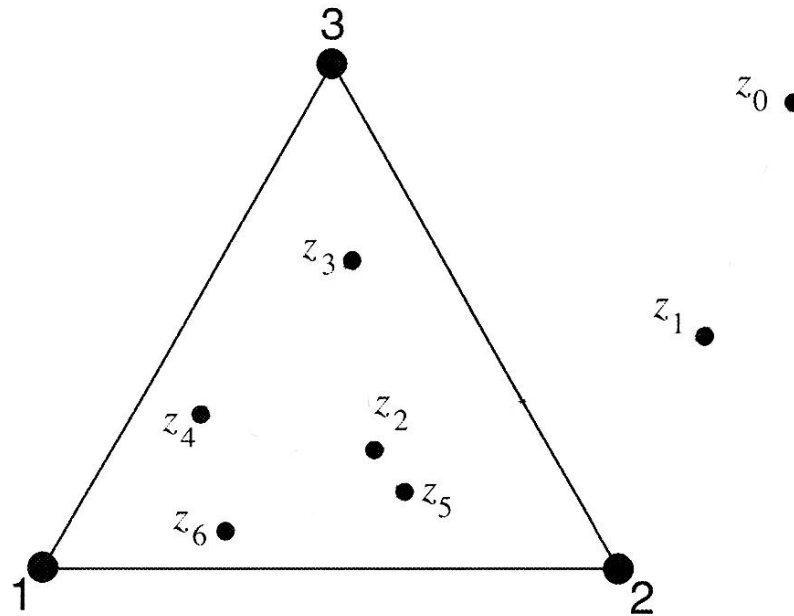
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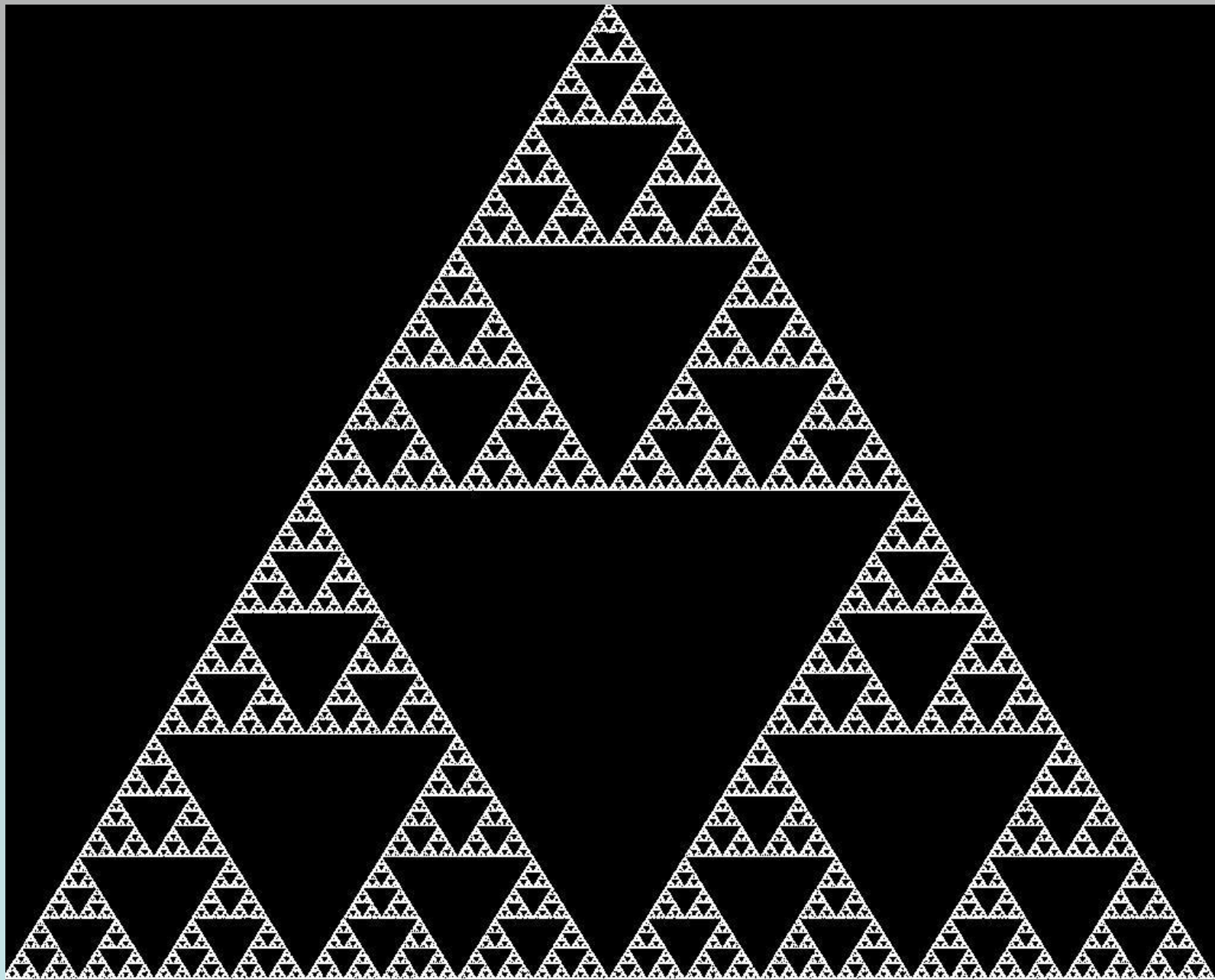


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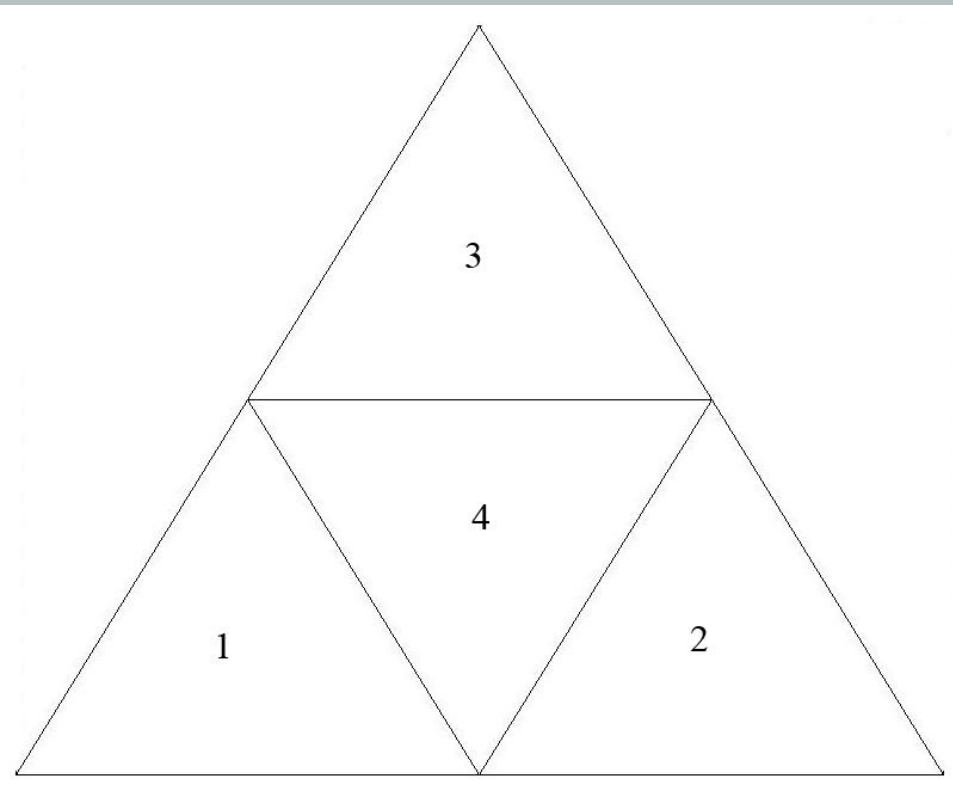




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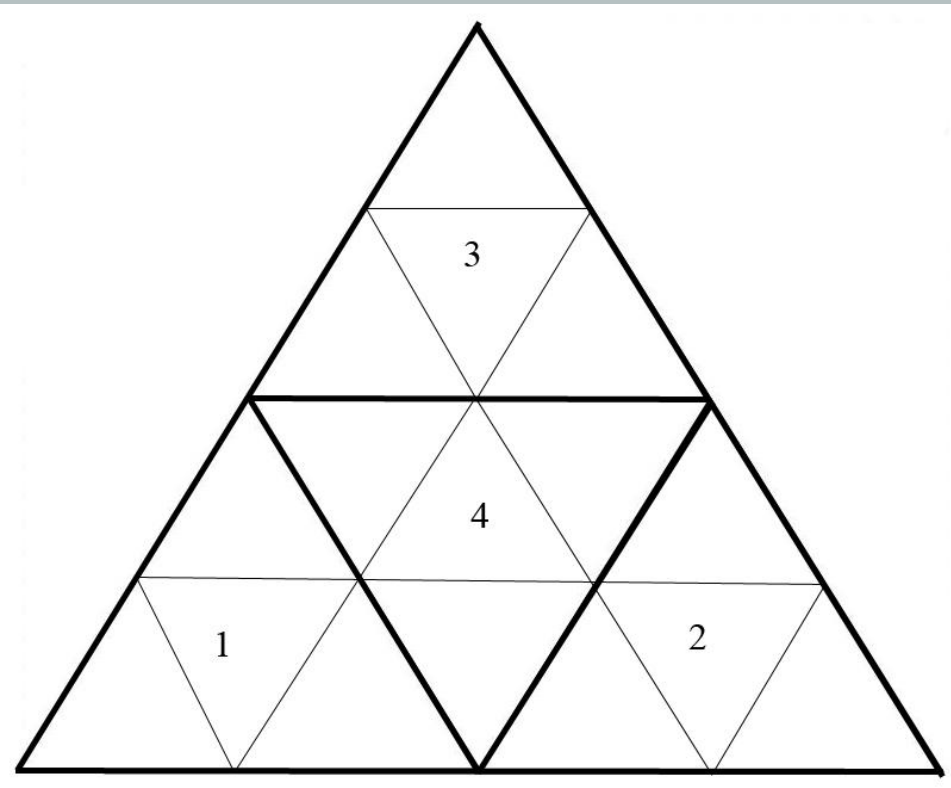
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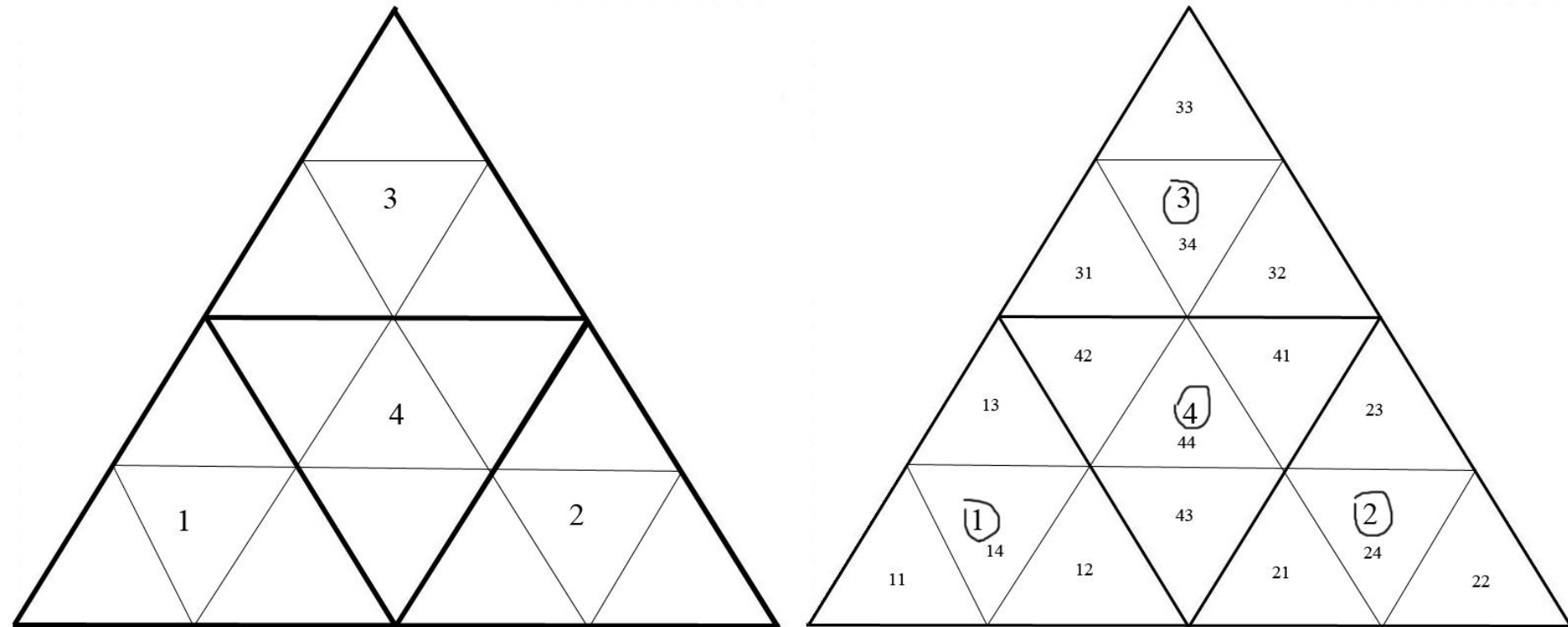
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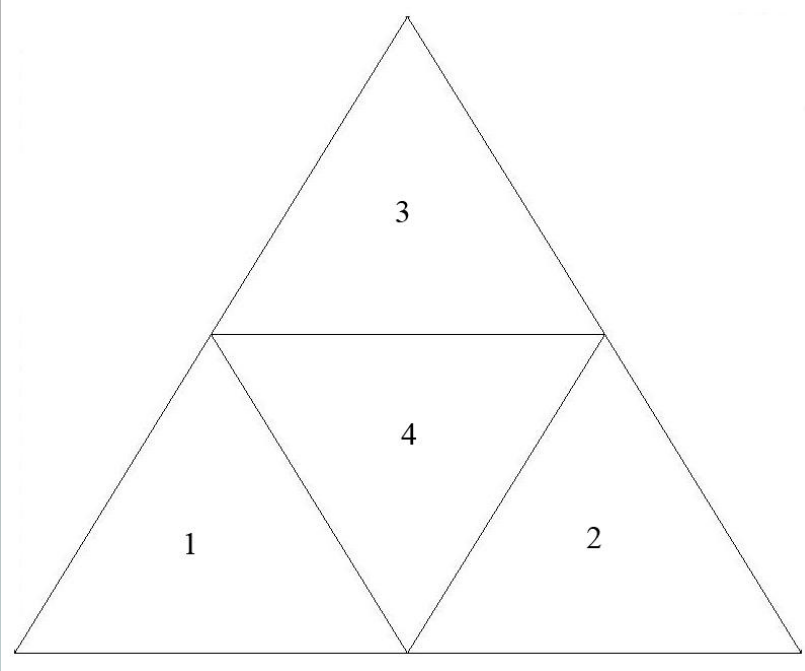




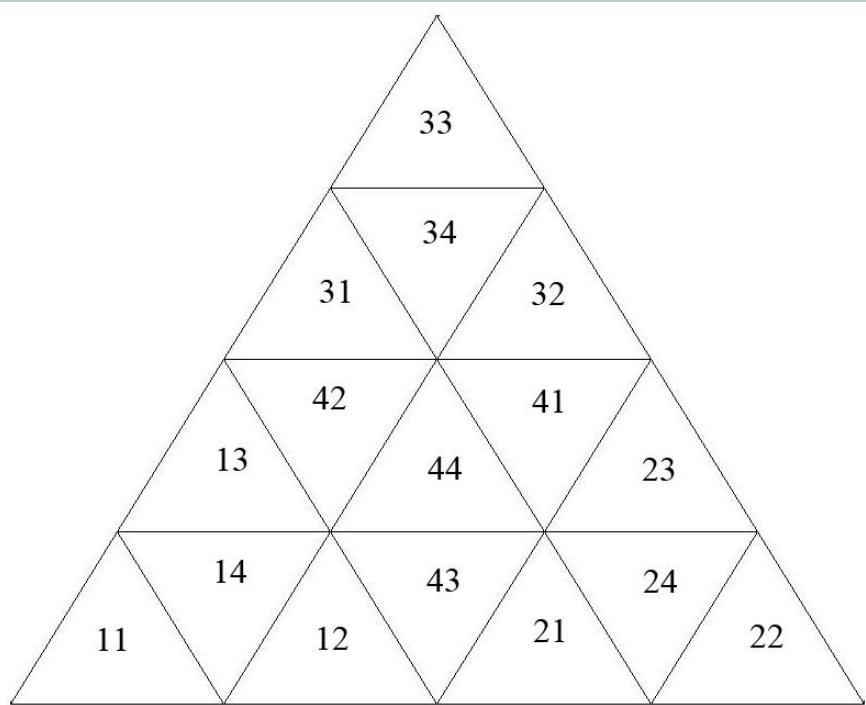
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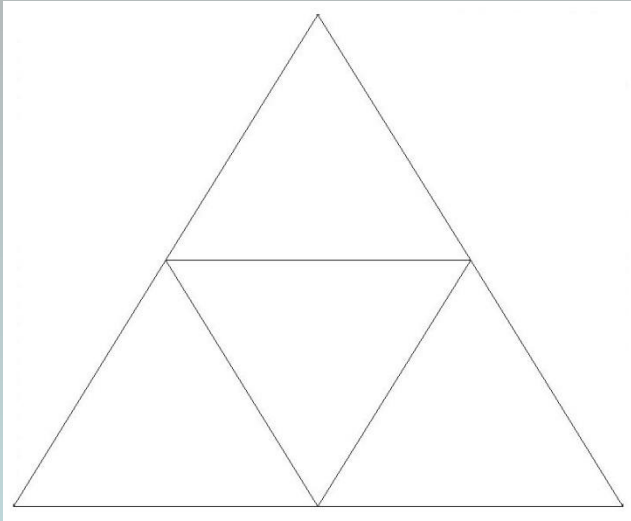
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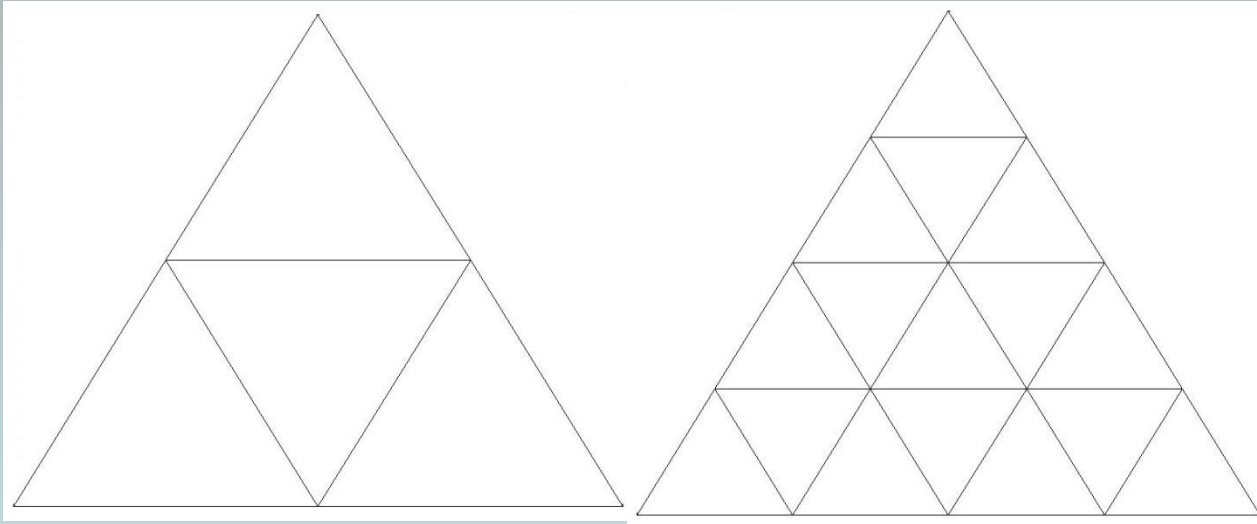
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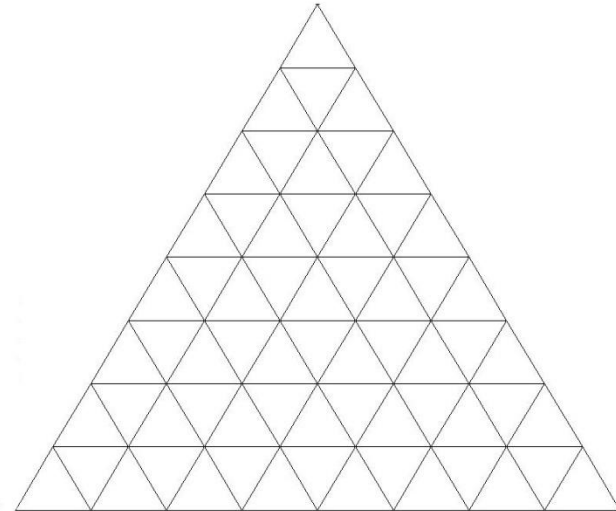
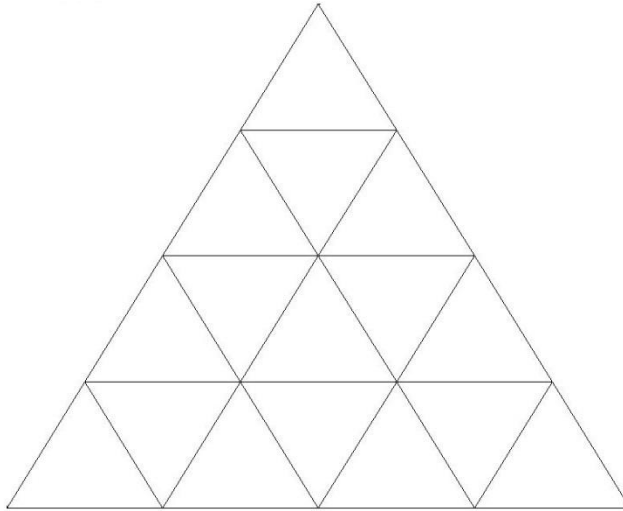
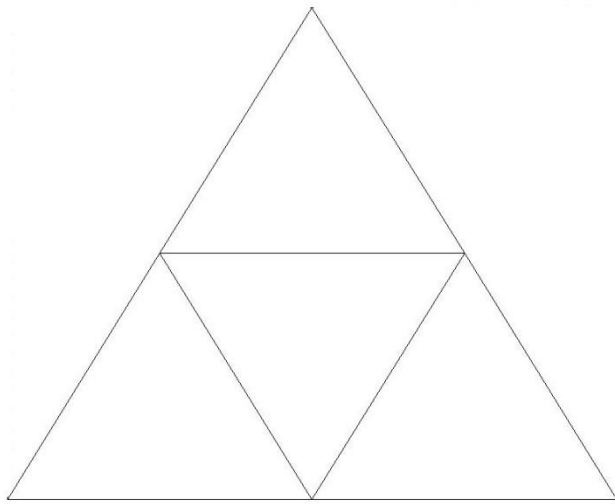
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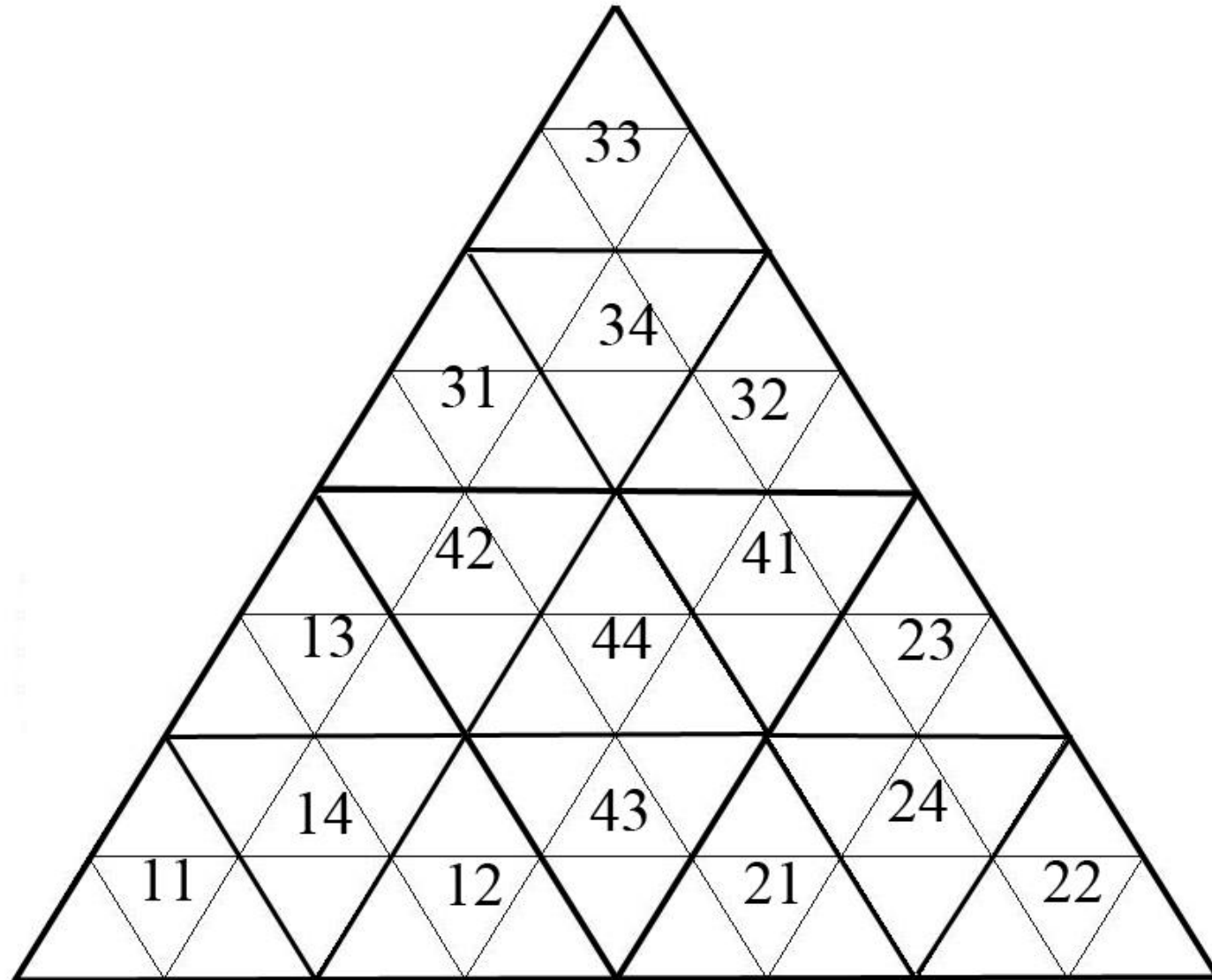
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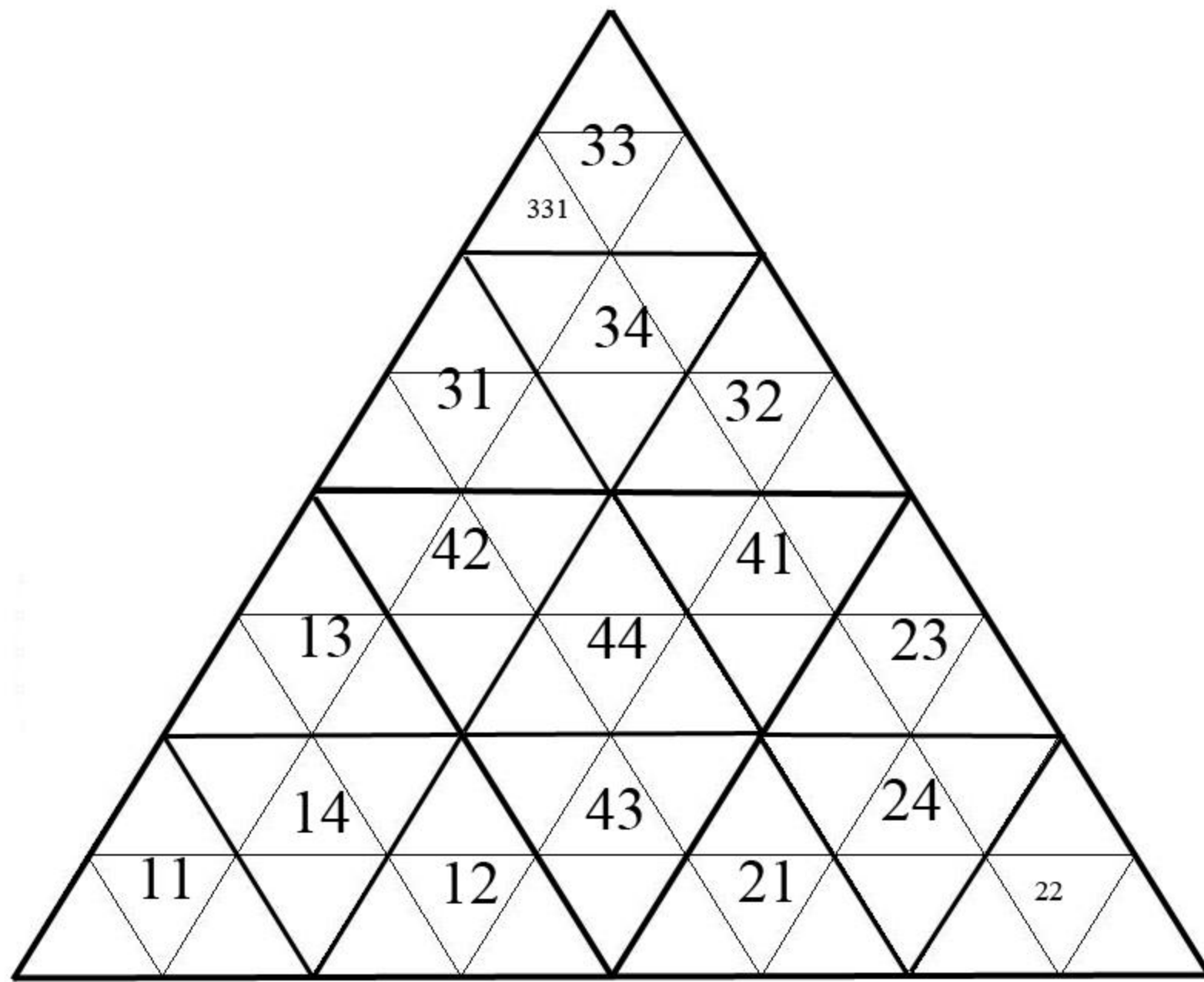
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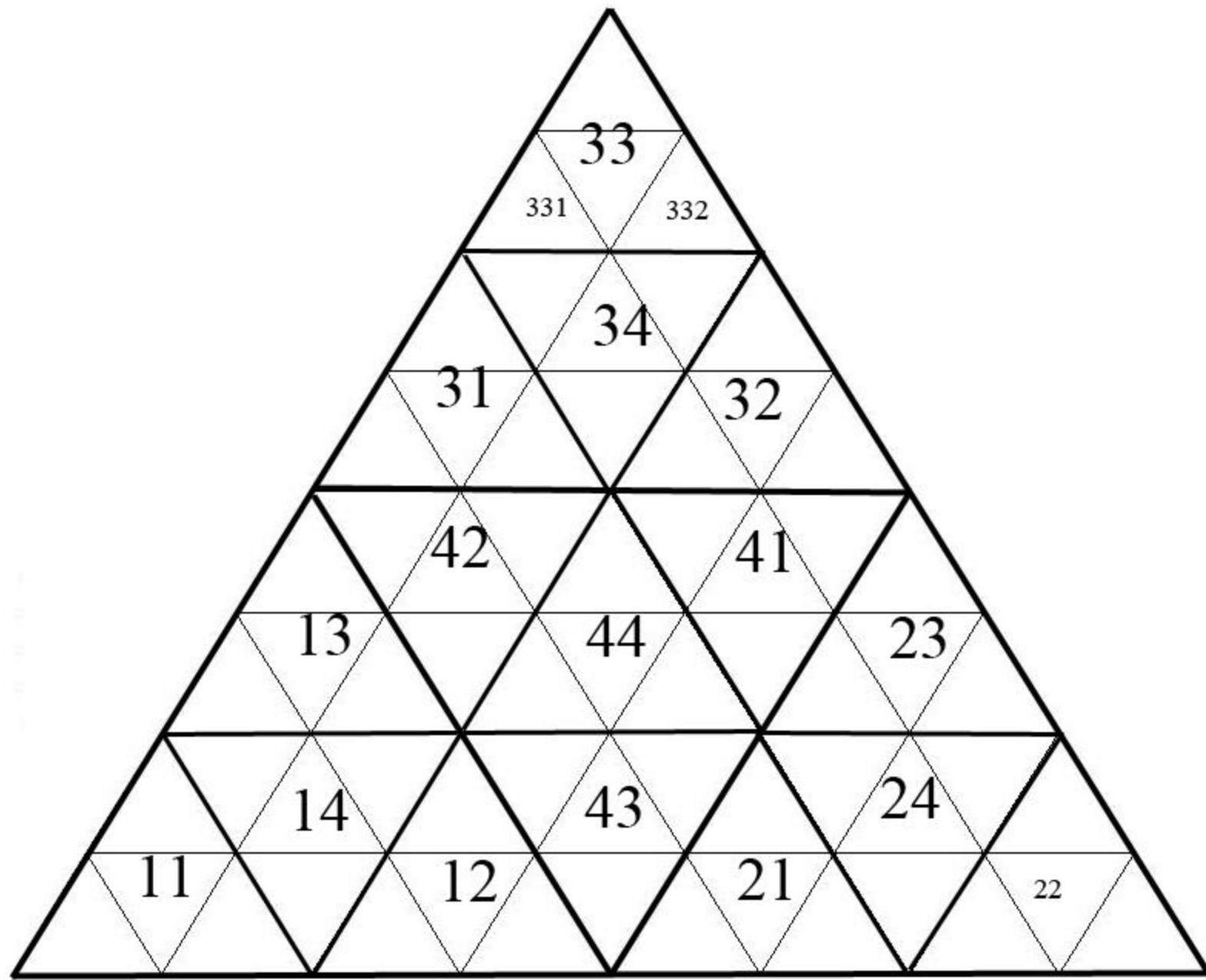


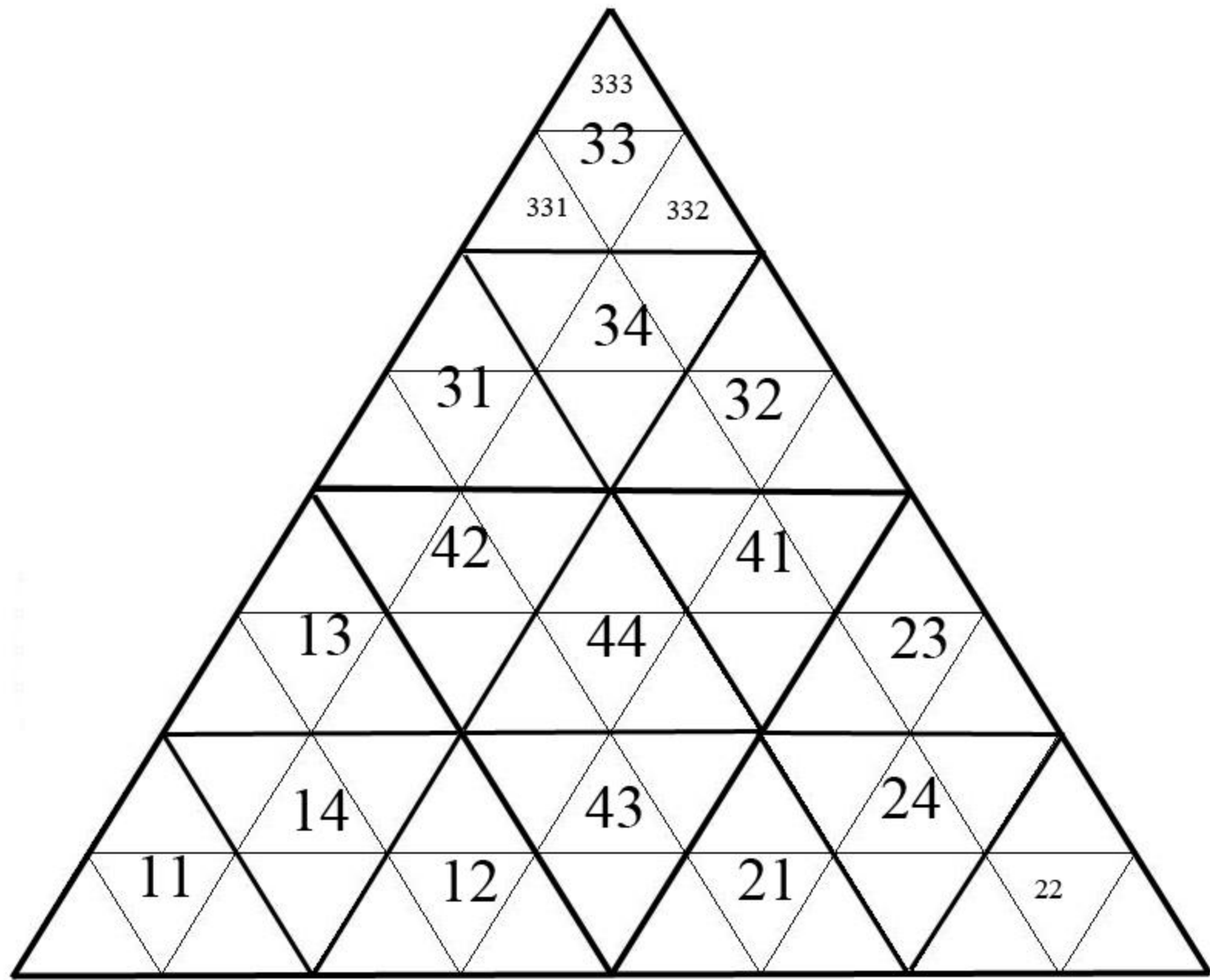
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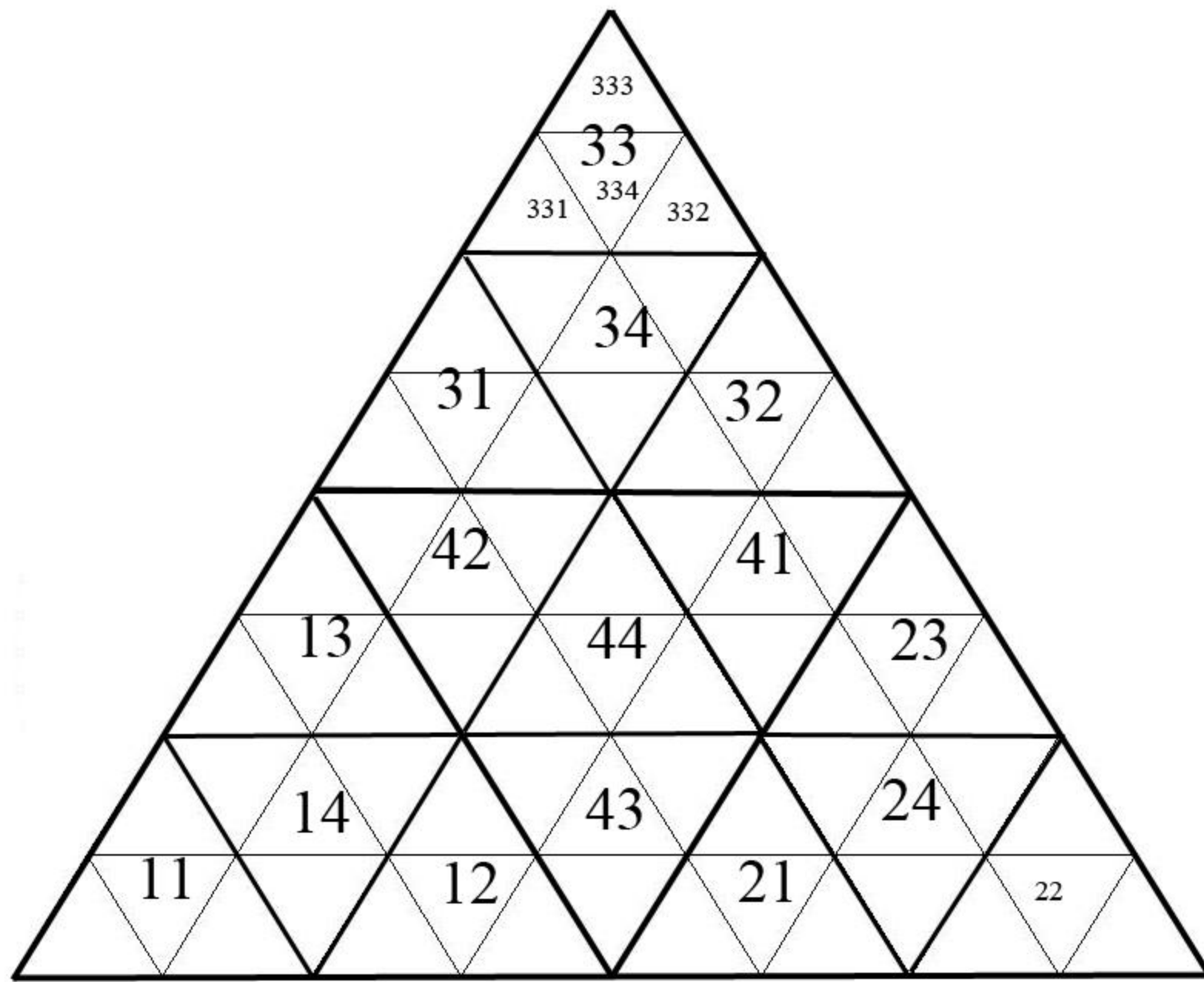


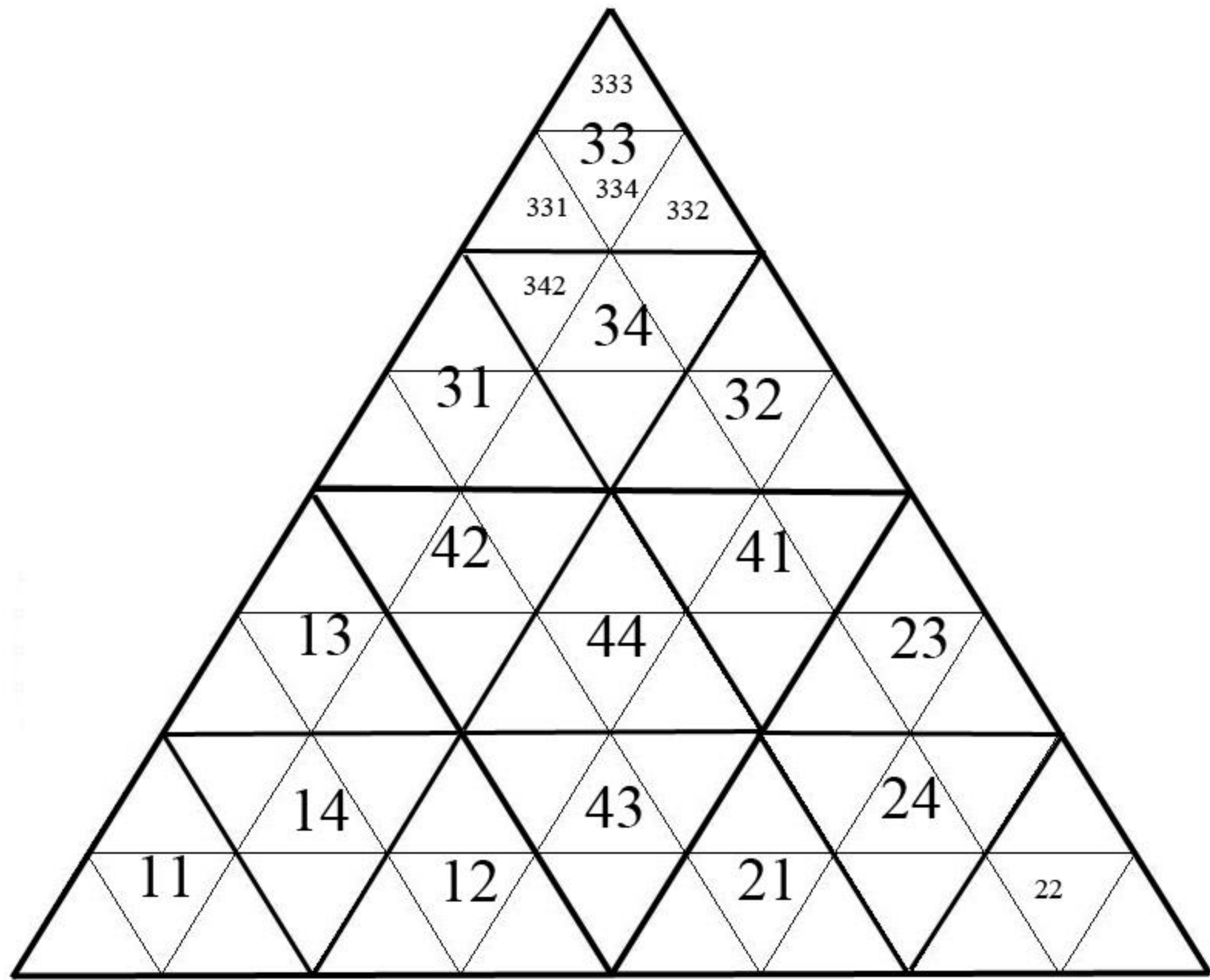


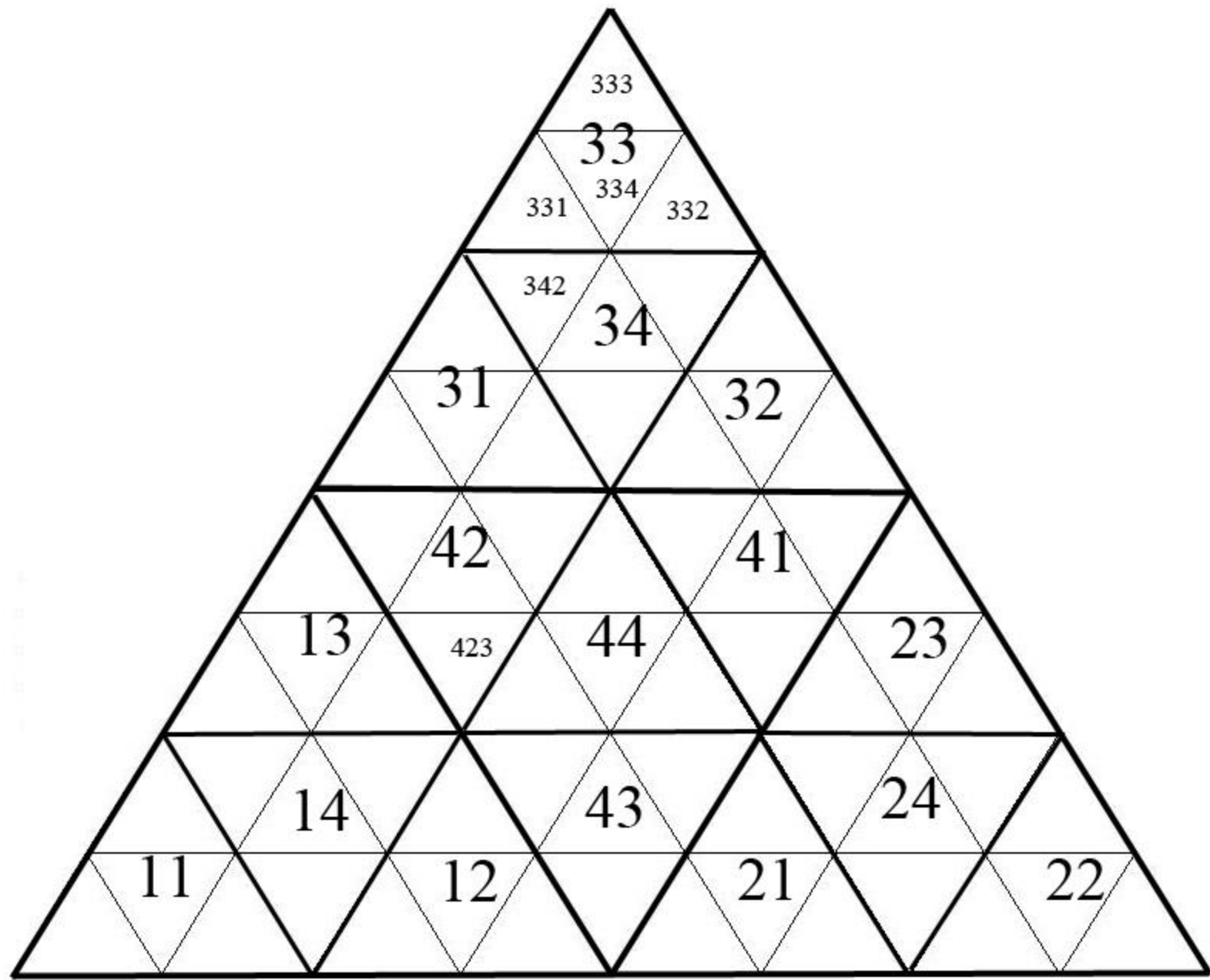




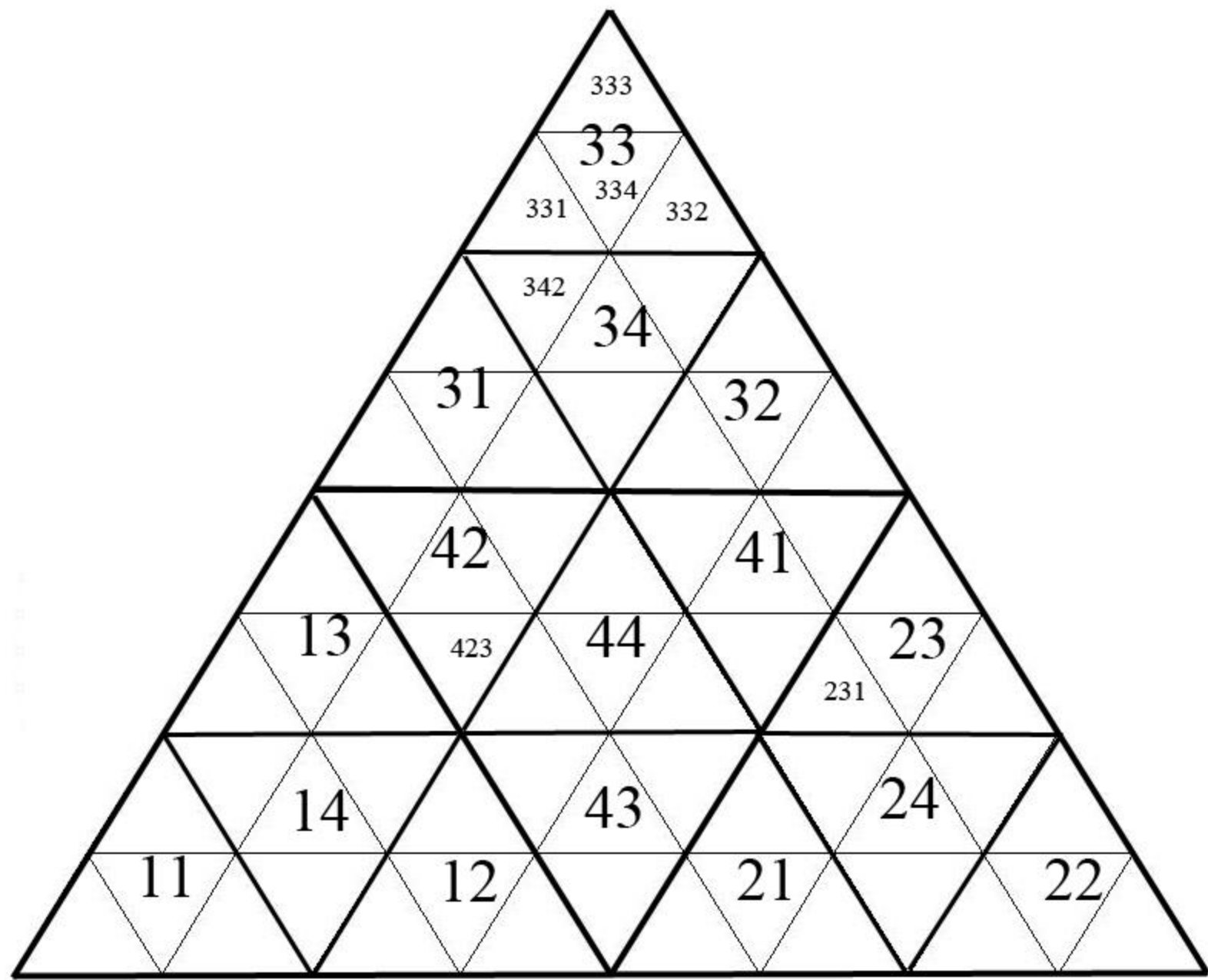






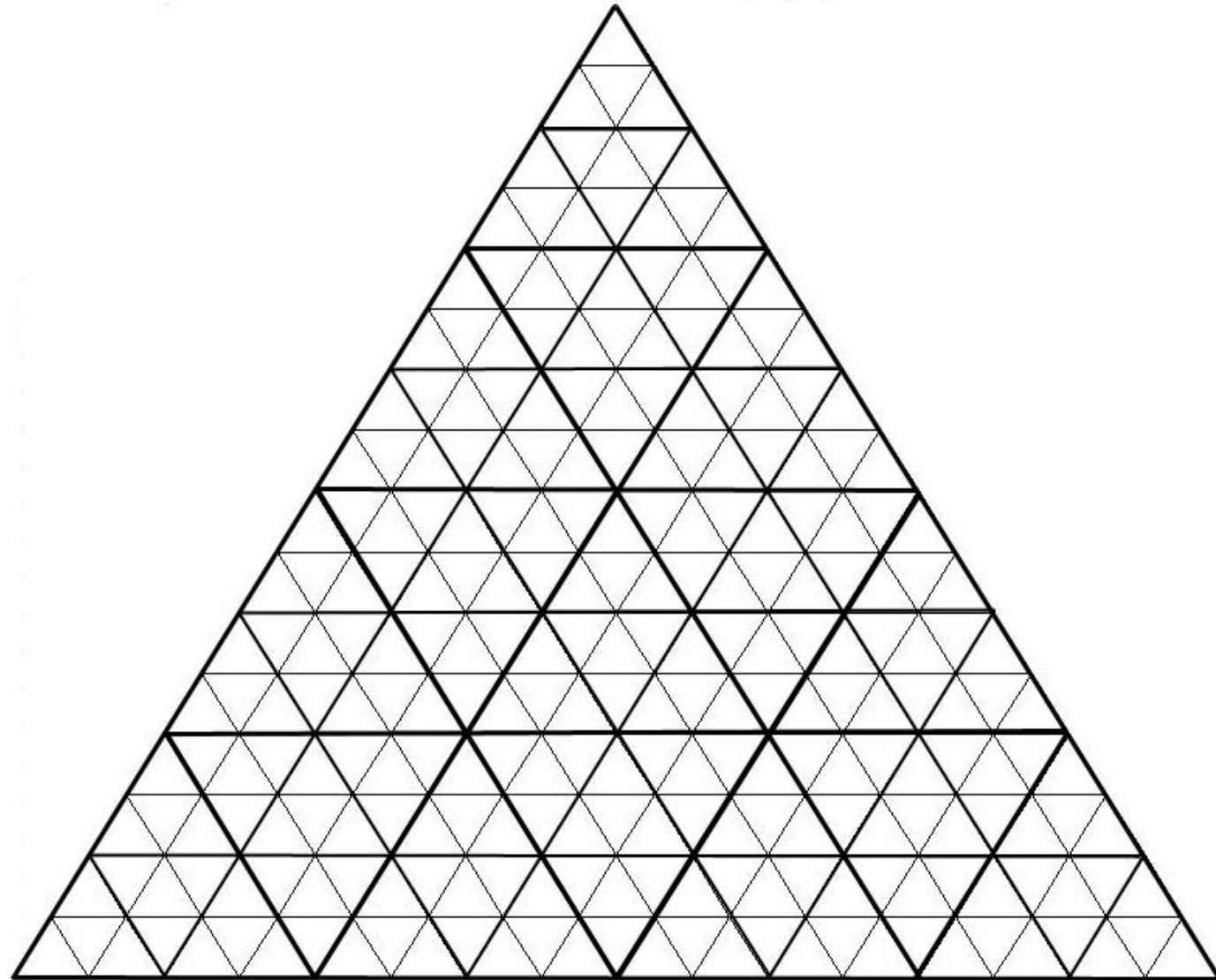




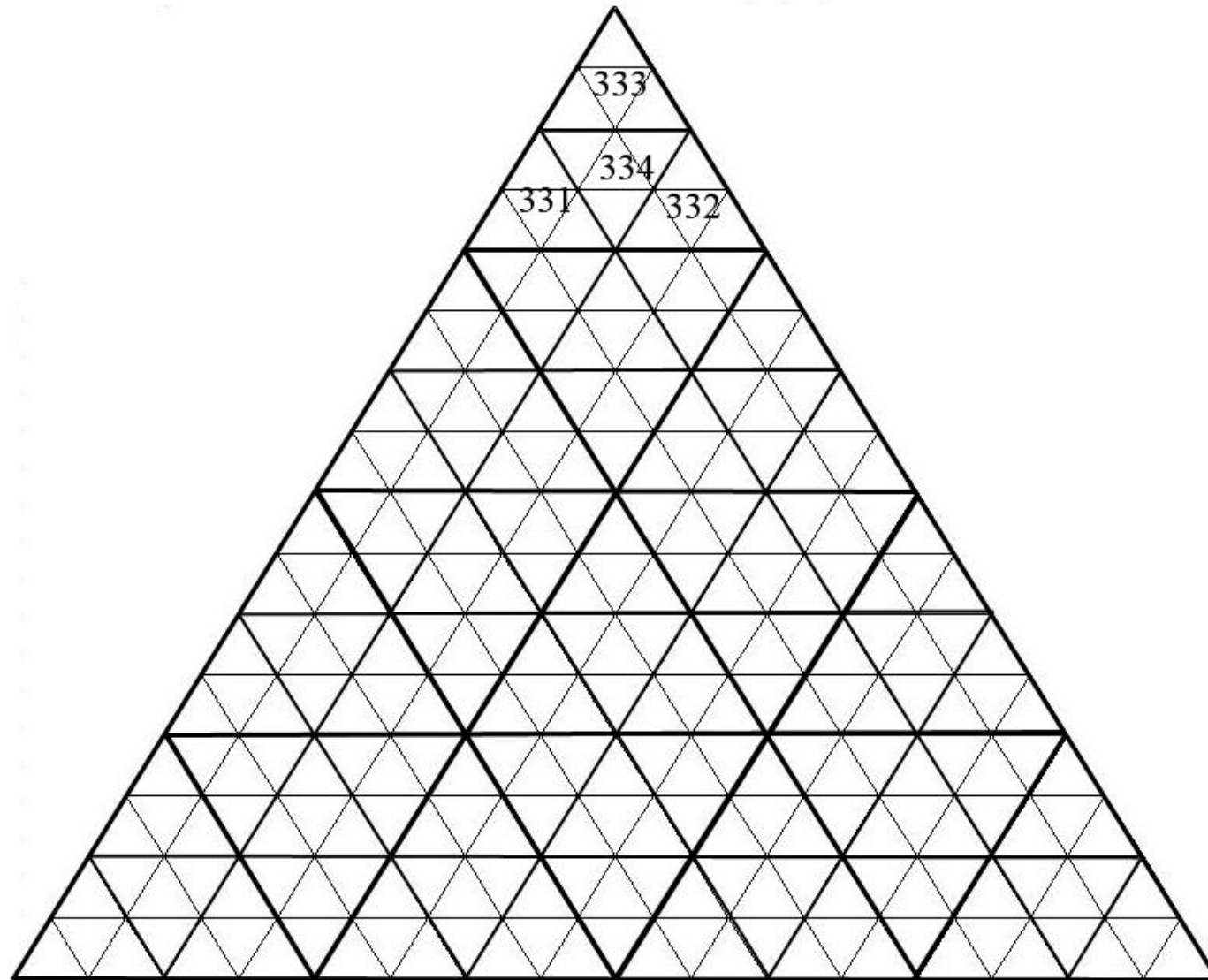




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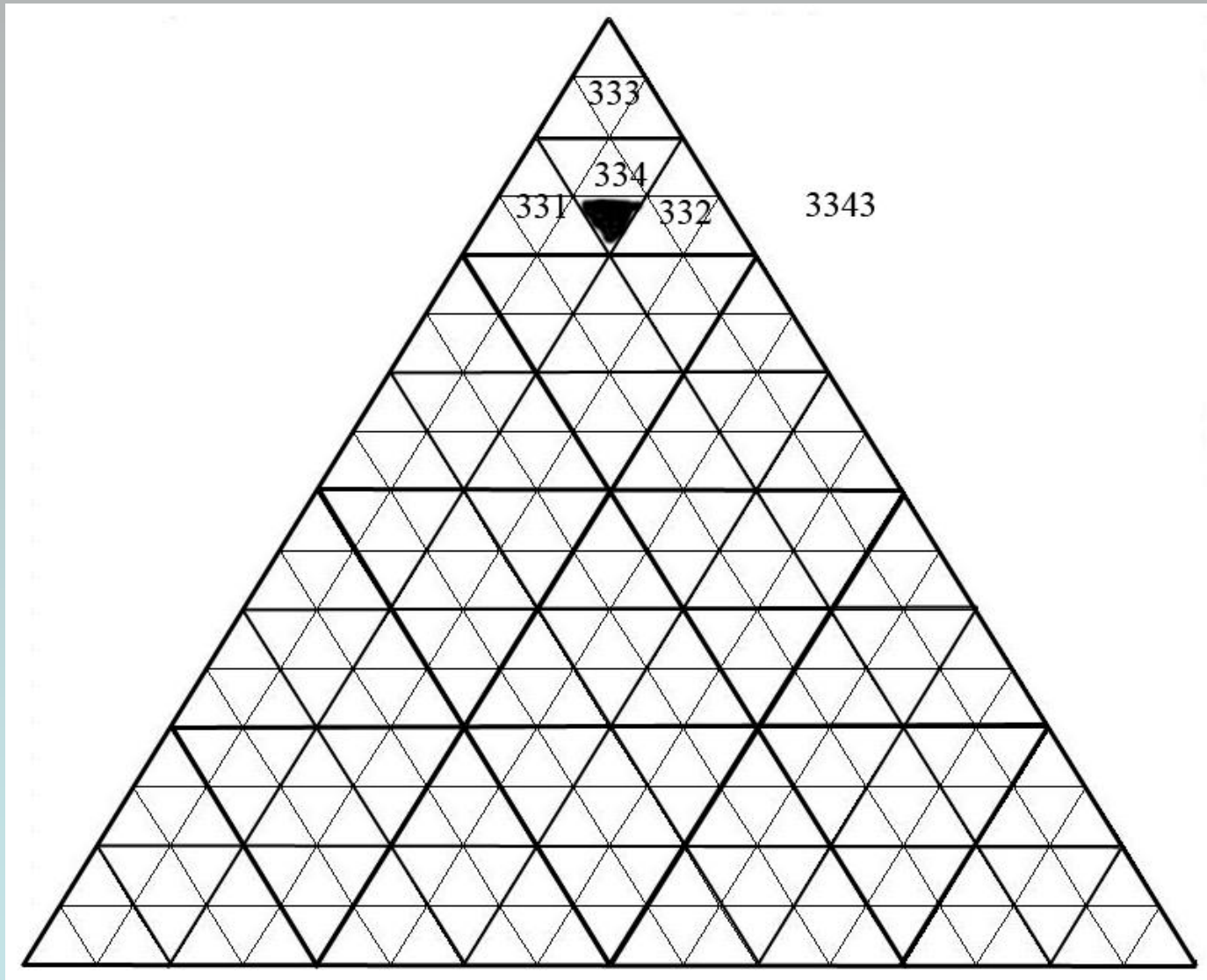


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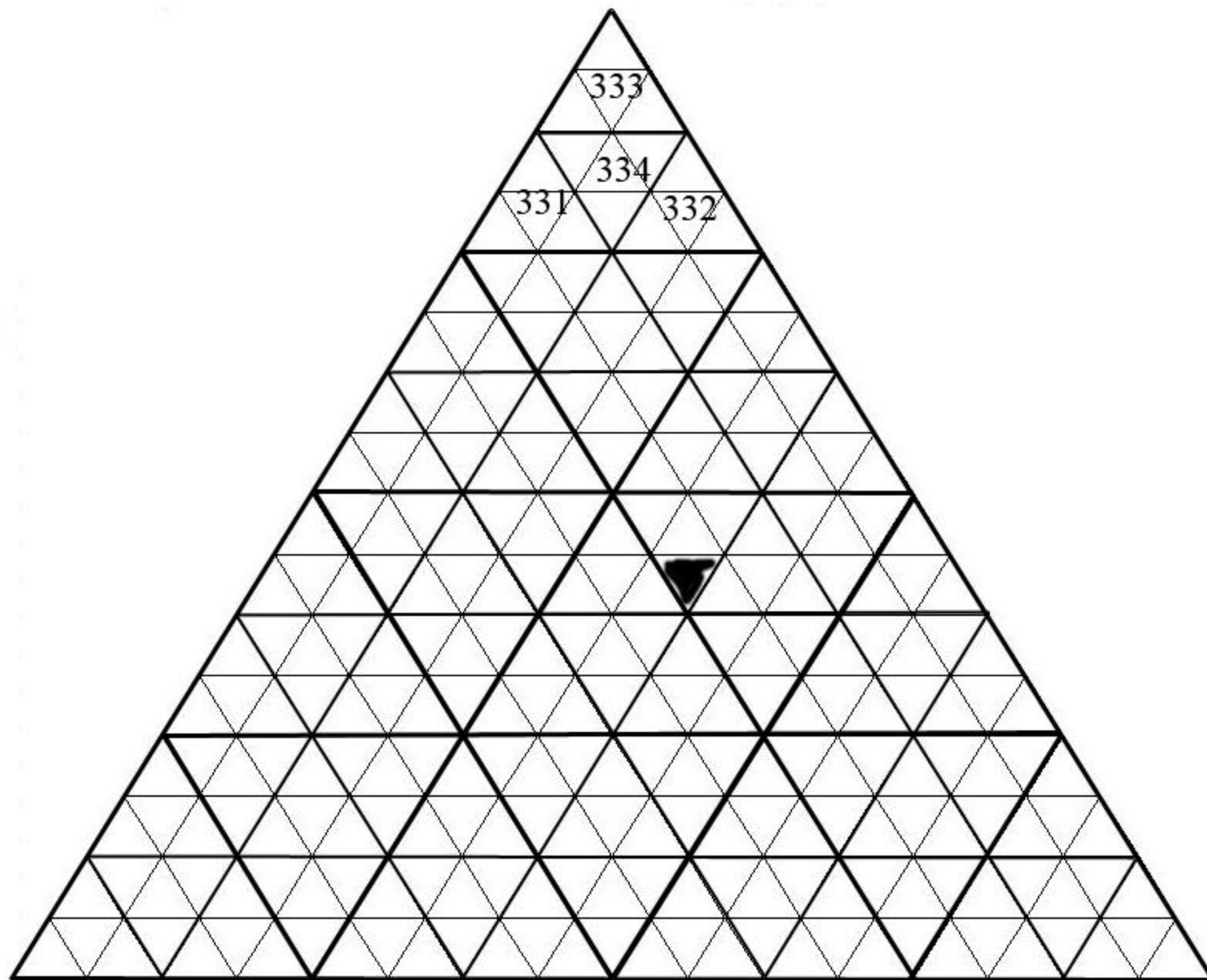


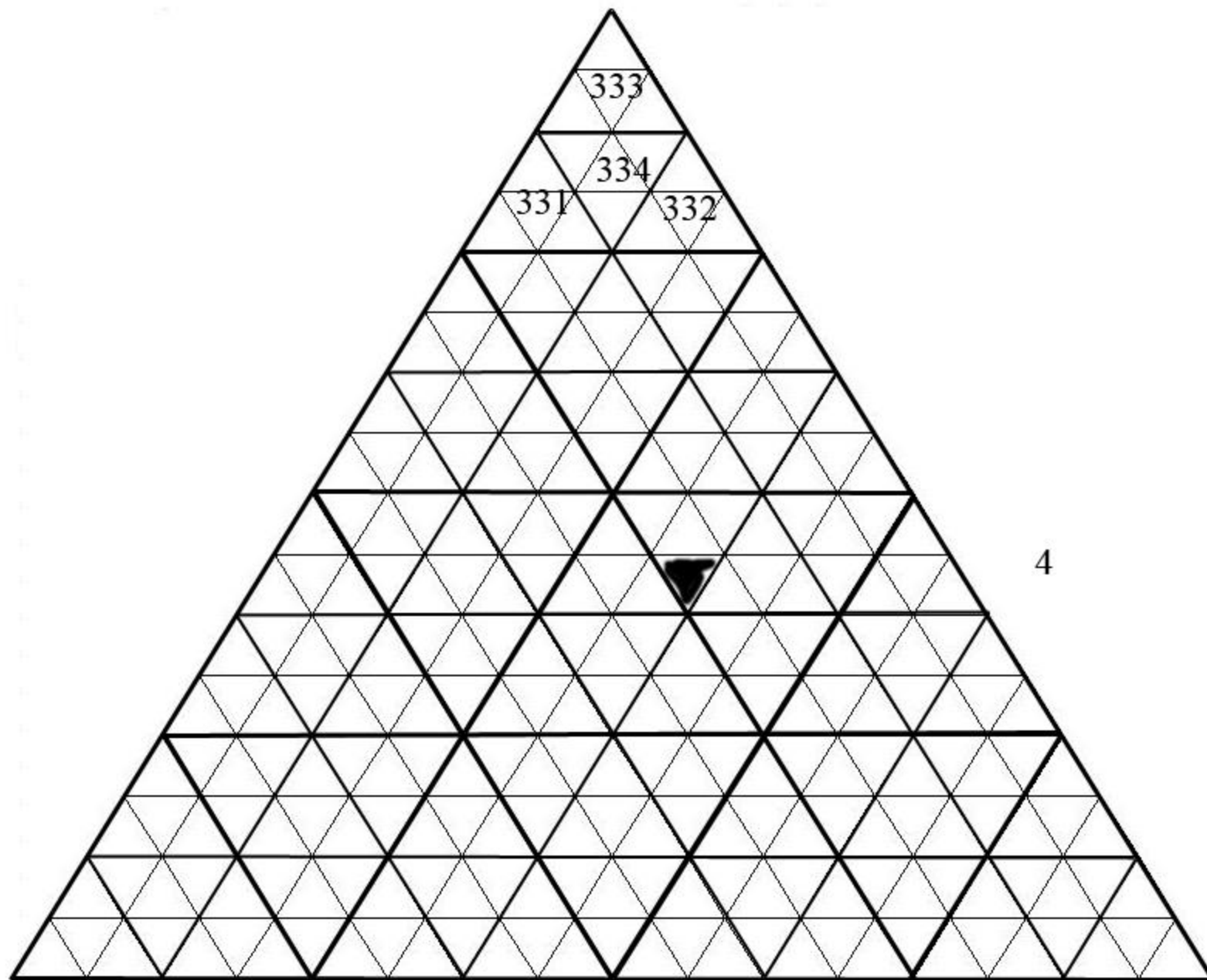
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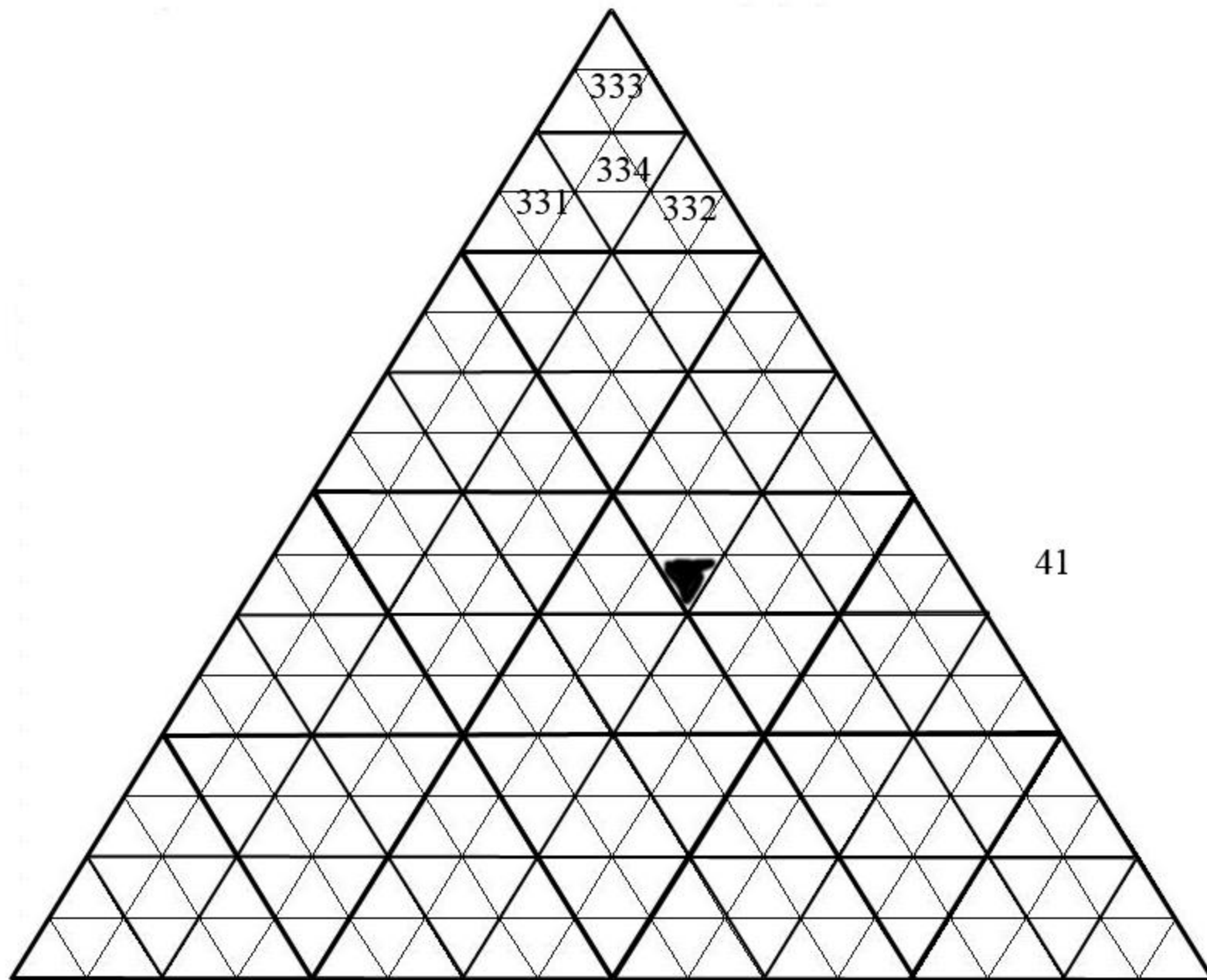
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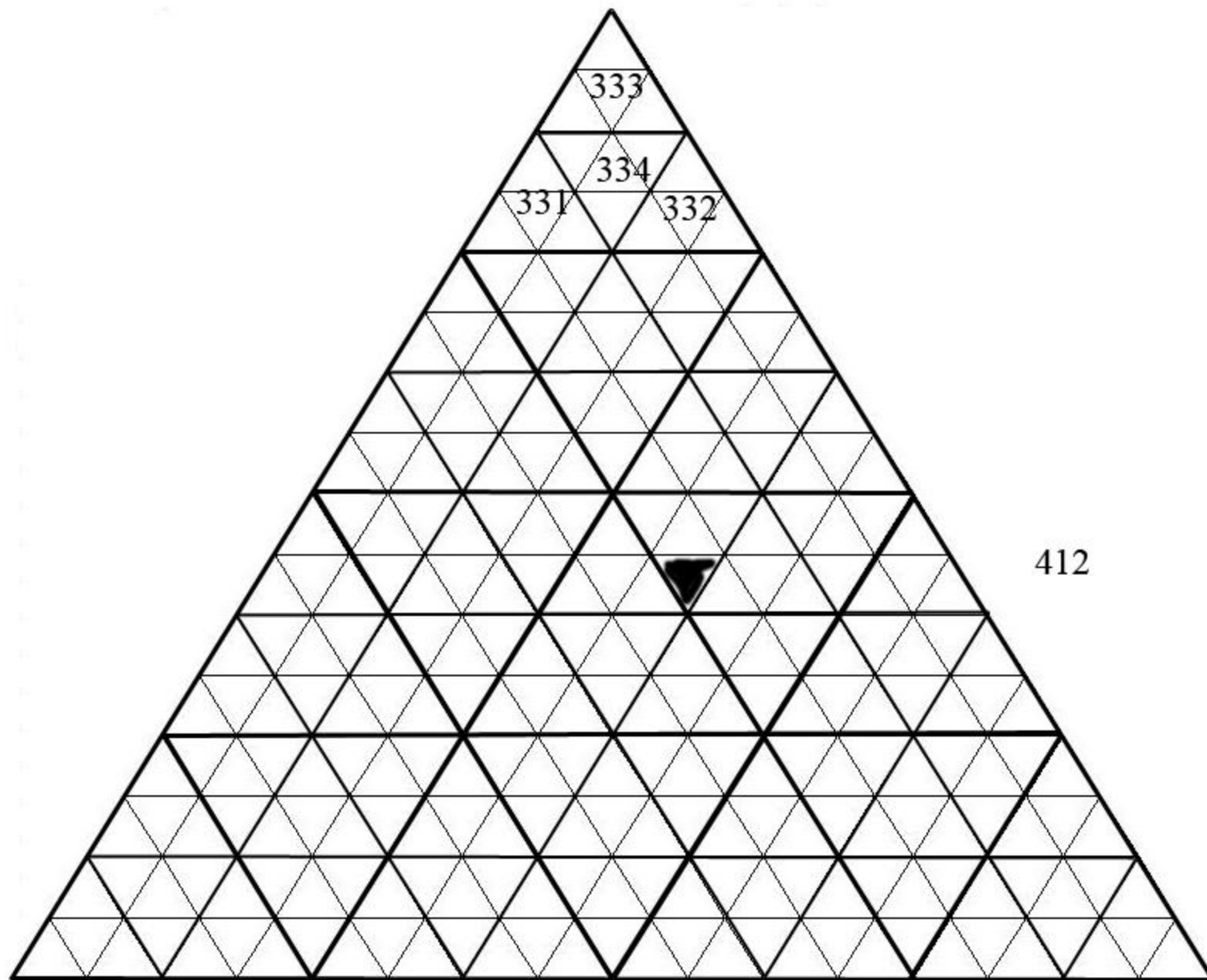


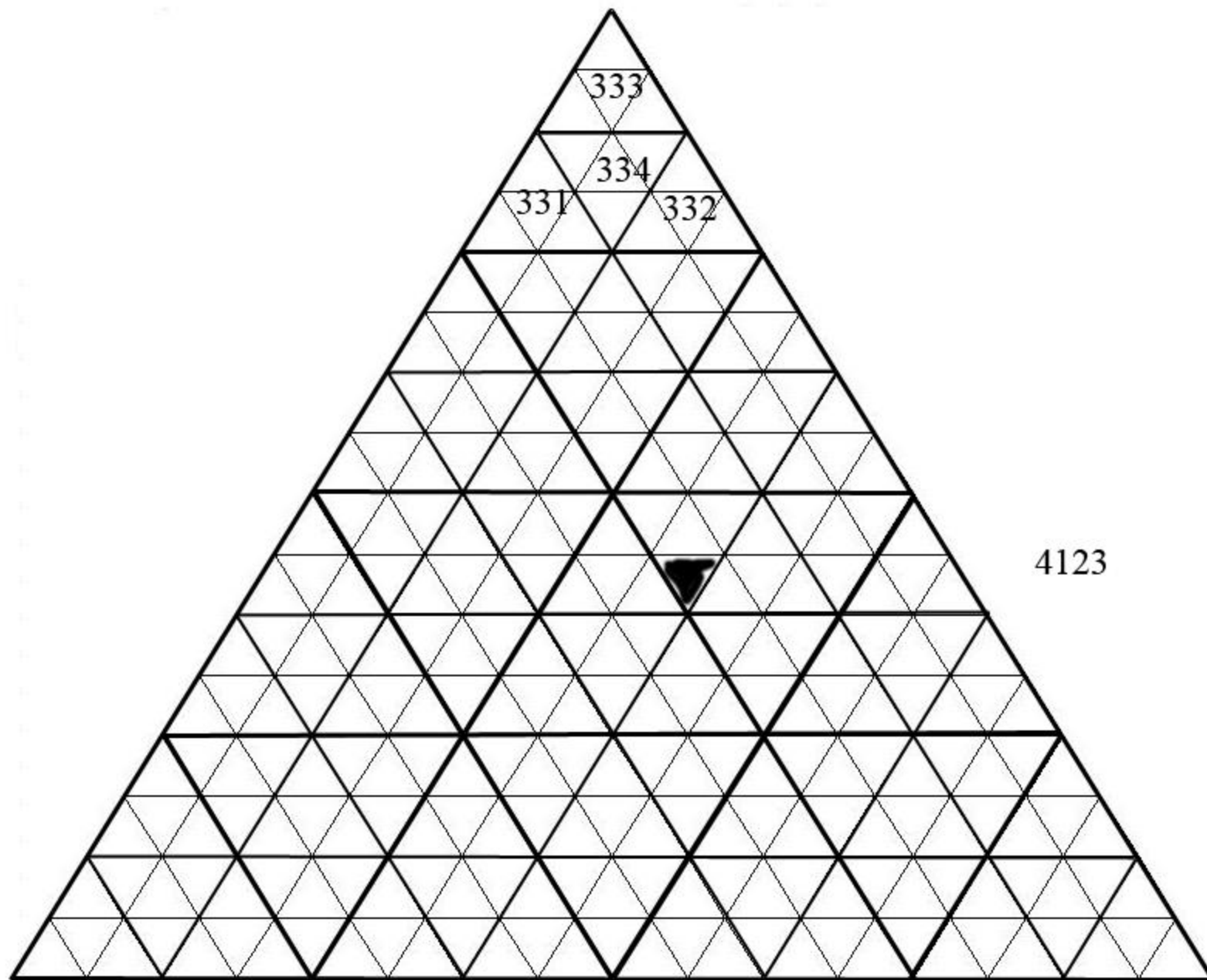


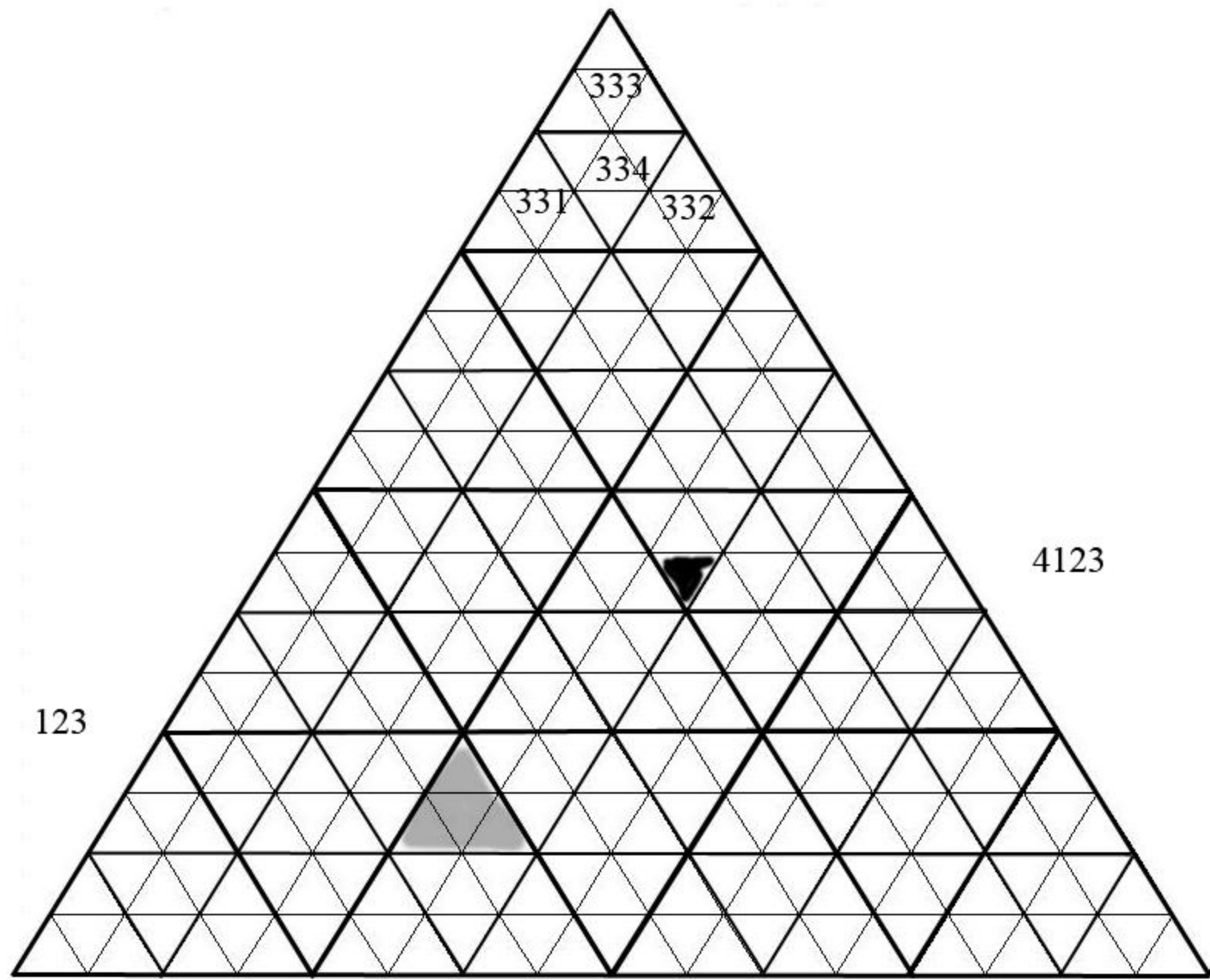








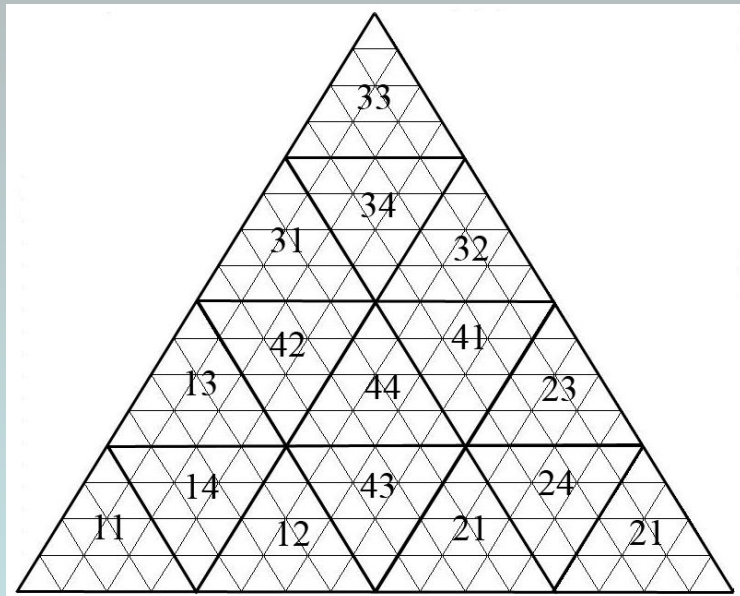
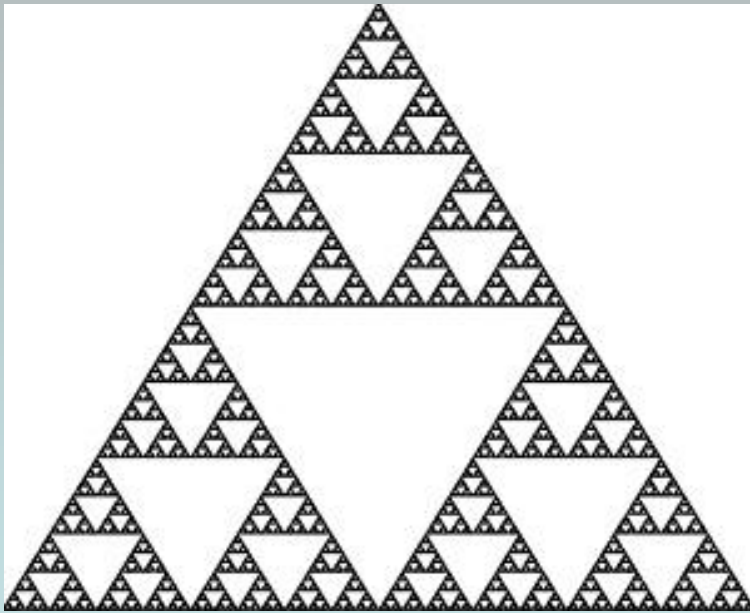




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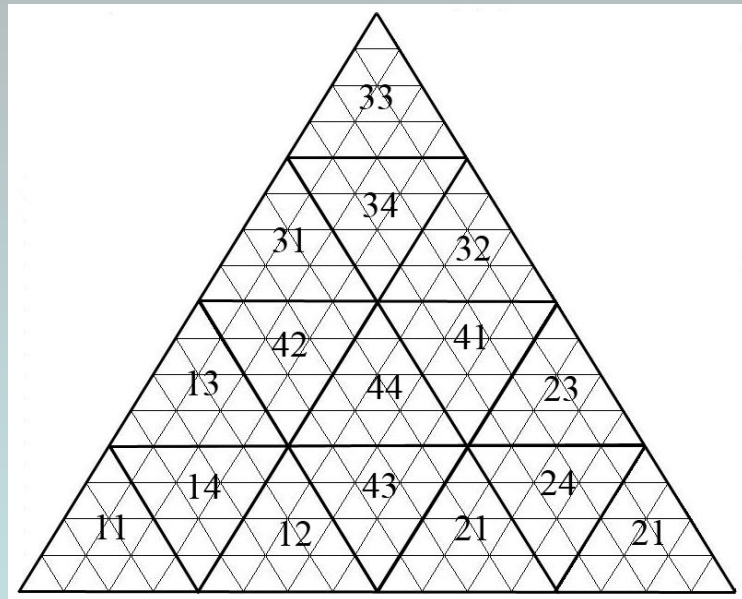
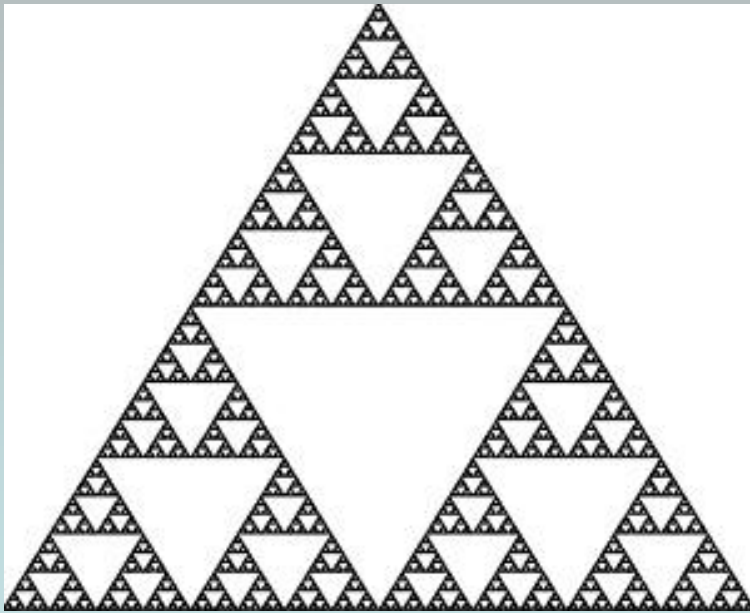
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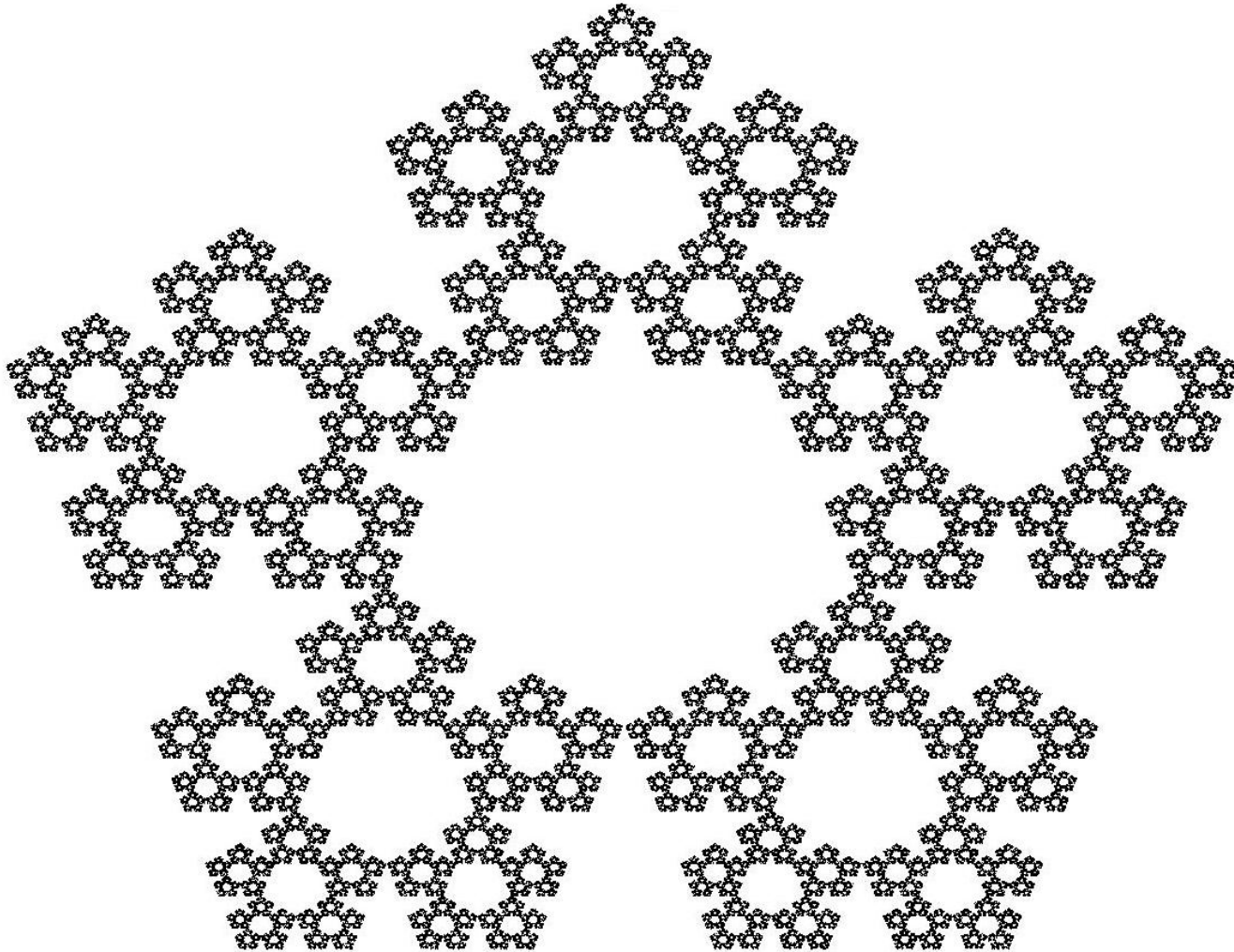
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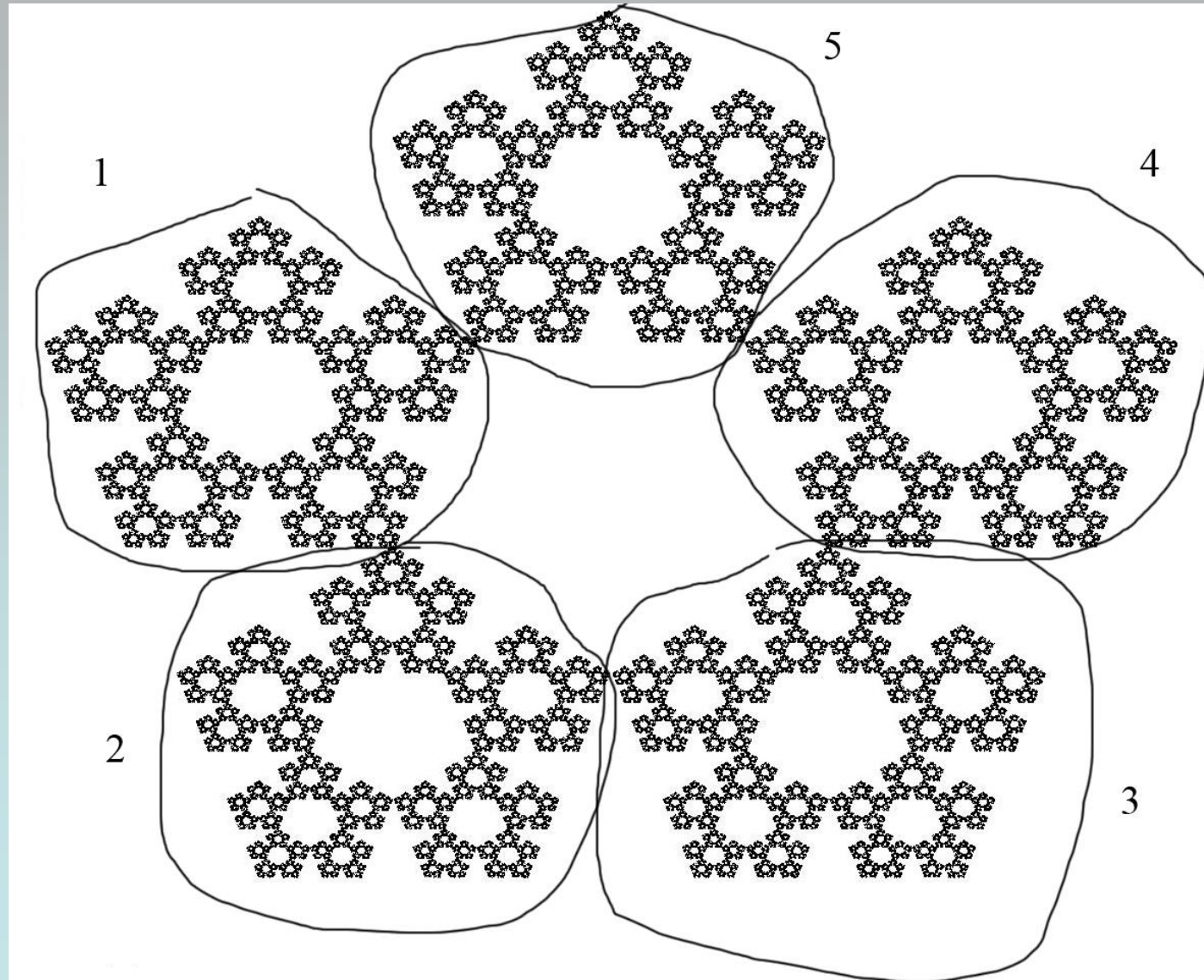
**So we can draw the Sierpinski triangle if we put a dot in every address region that doesn't have a 4**

All fractals have an address system you can use to label parts of the fractal

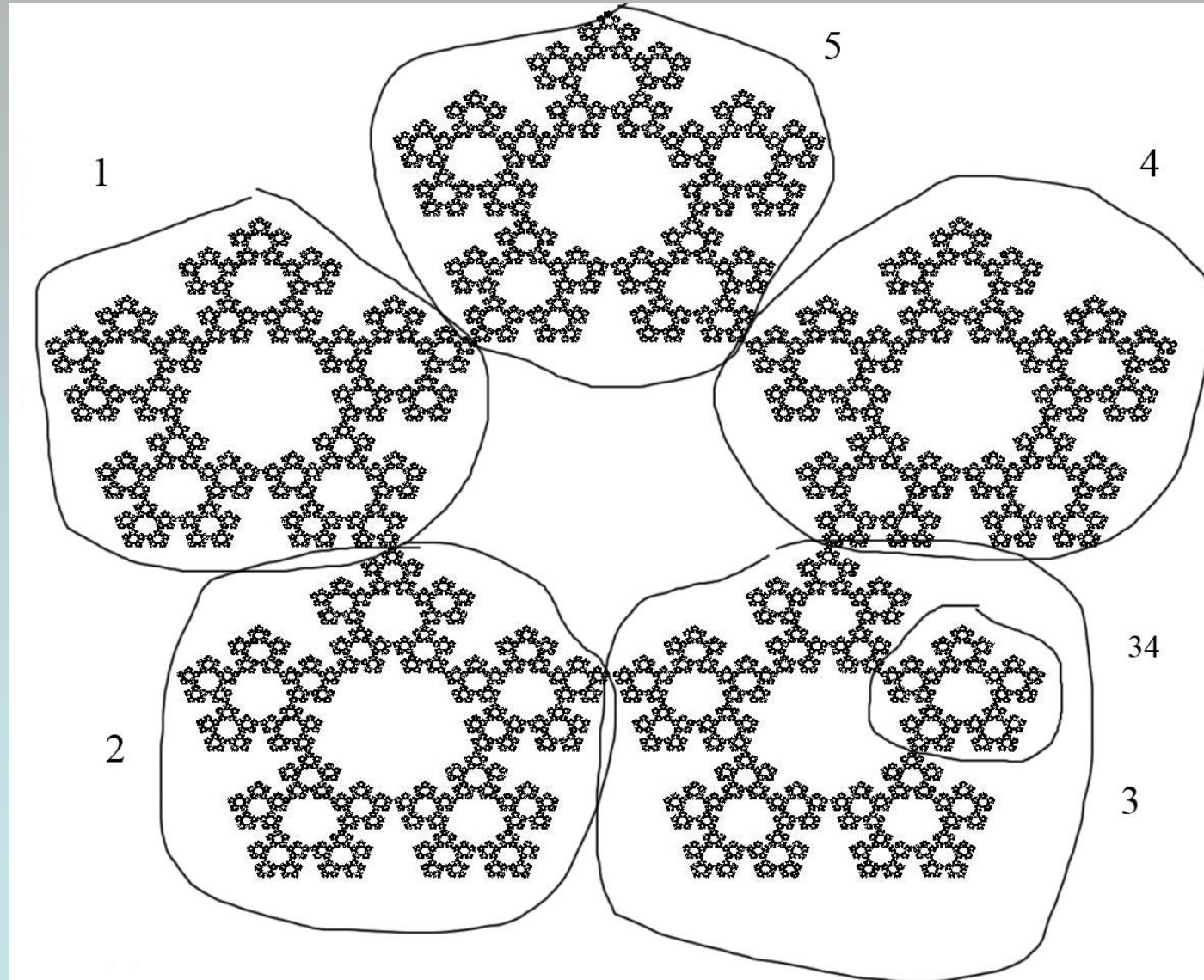




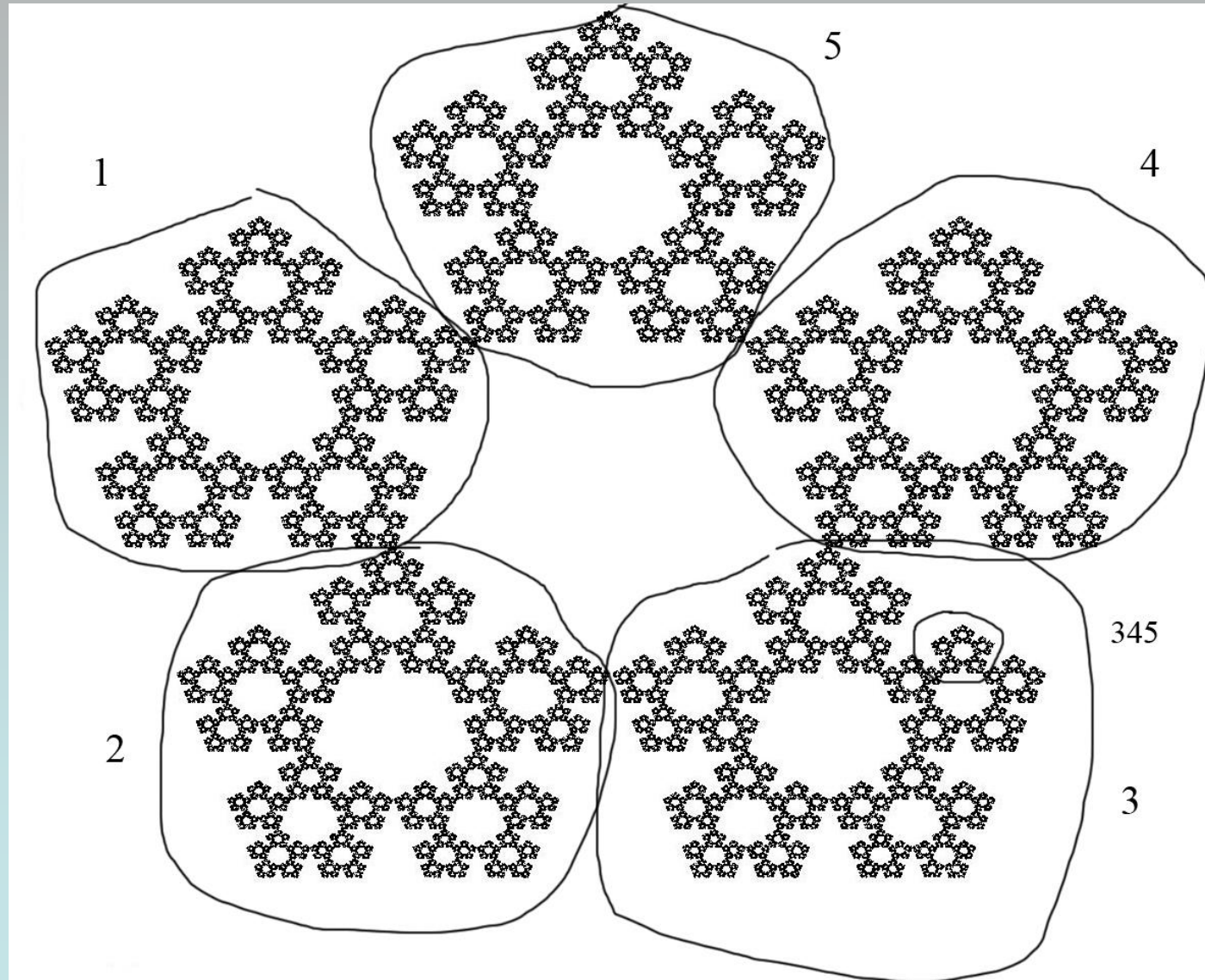
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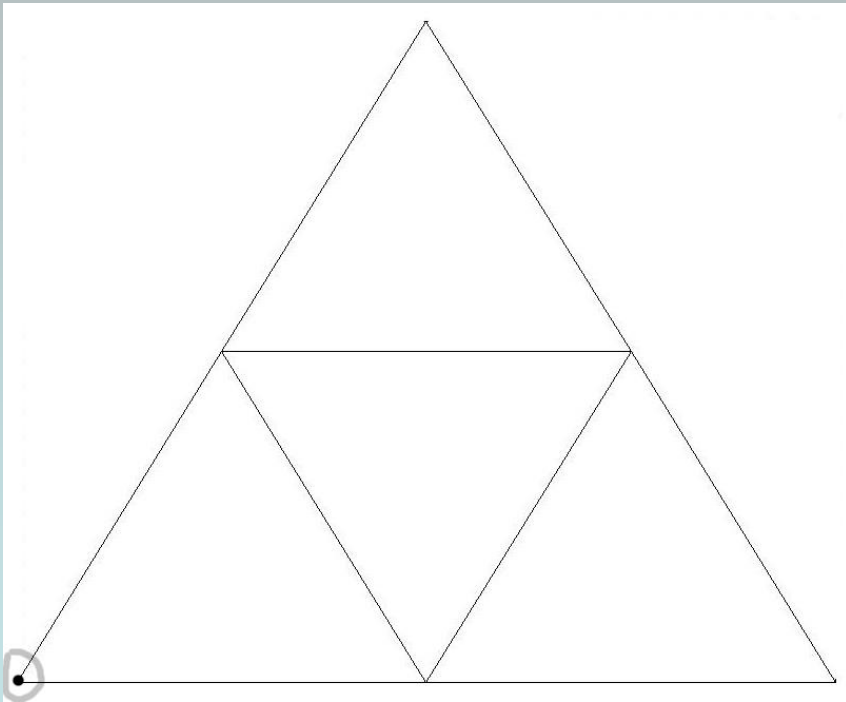


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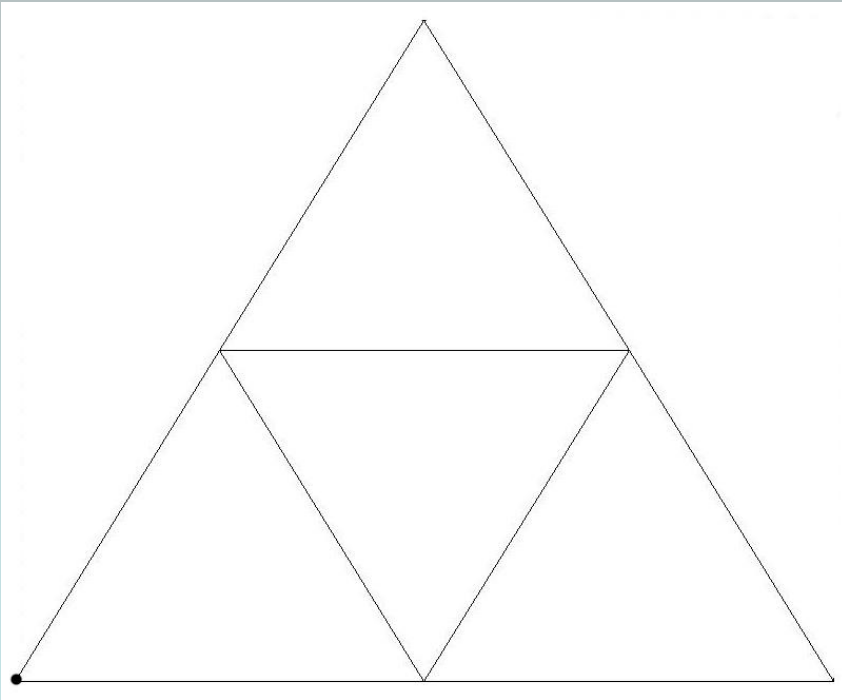




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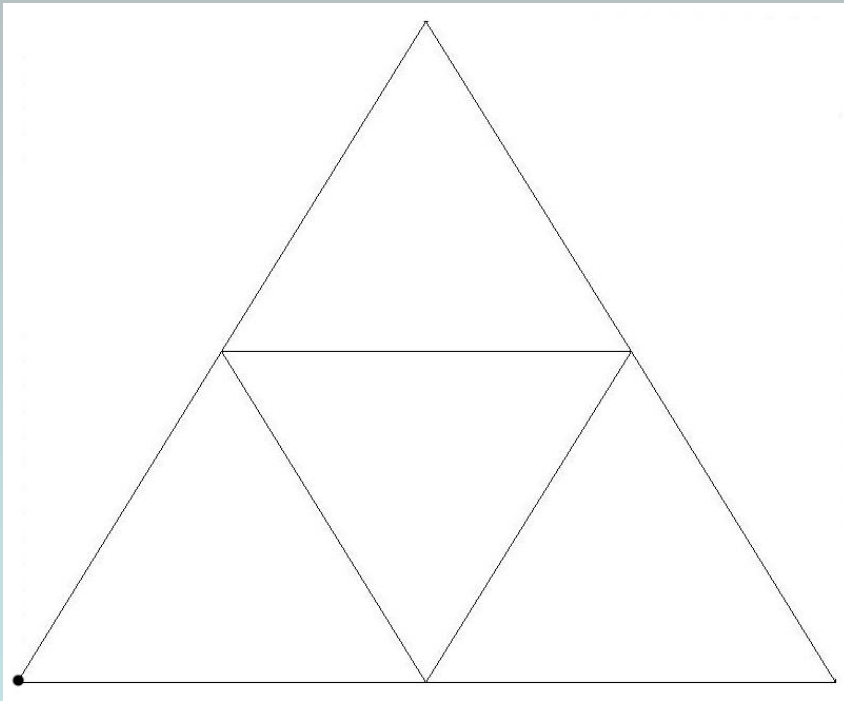


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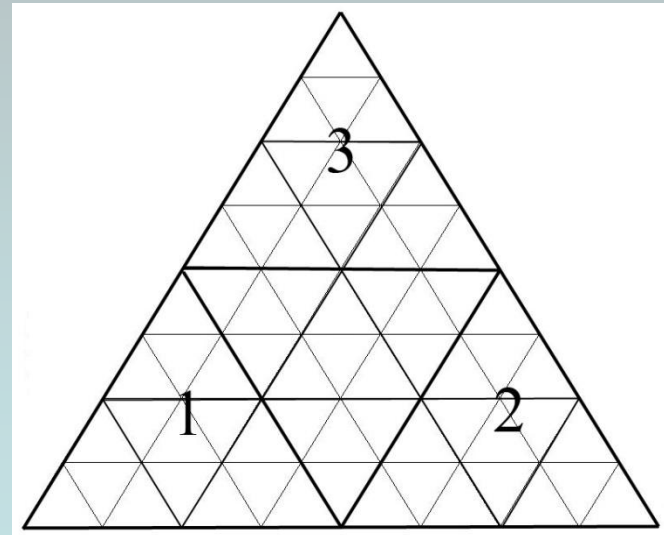


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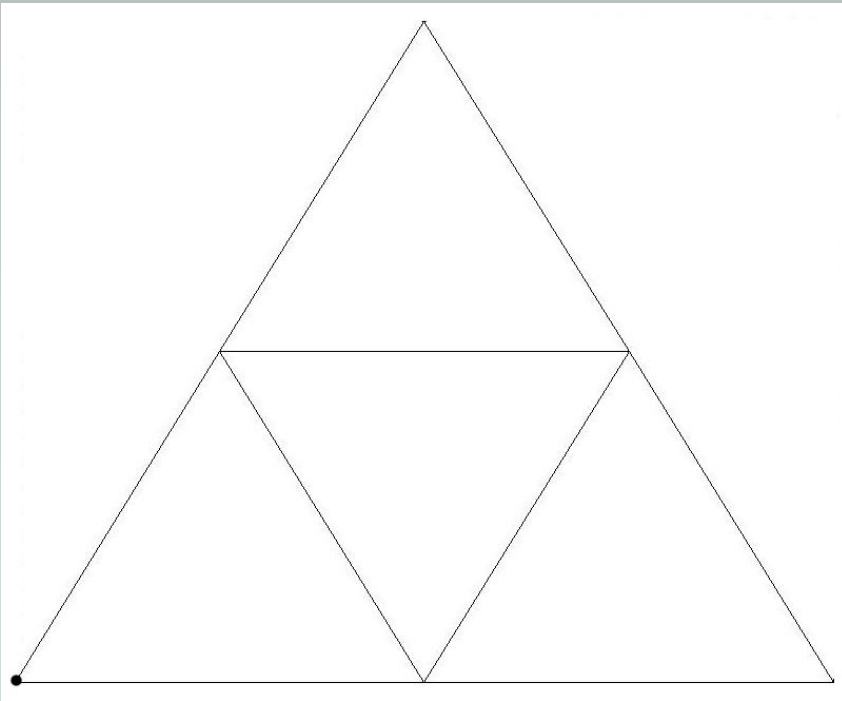
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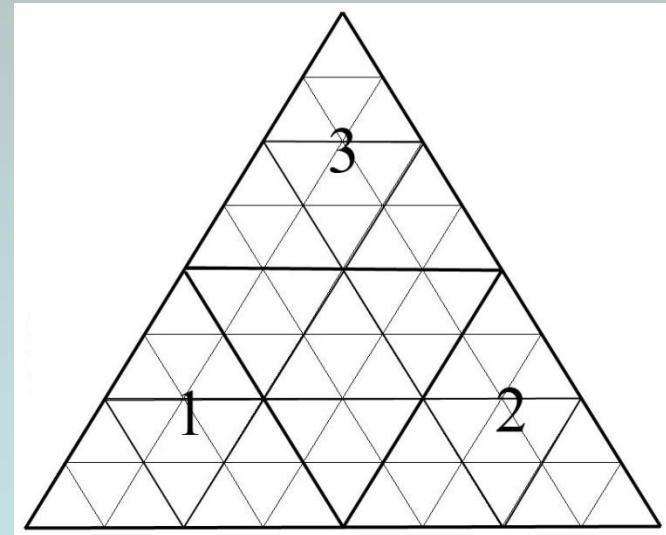
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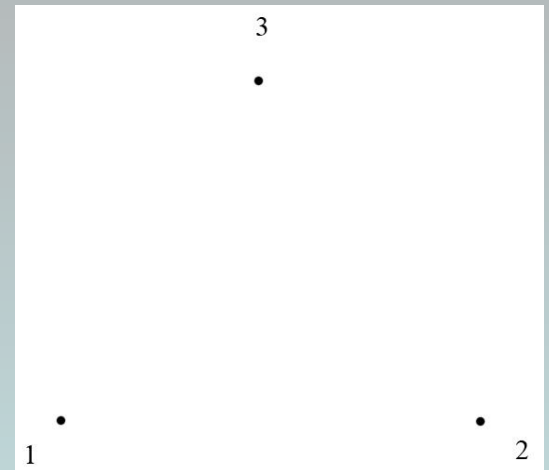
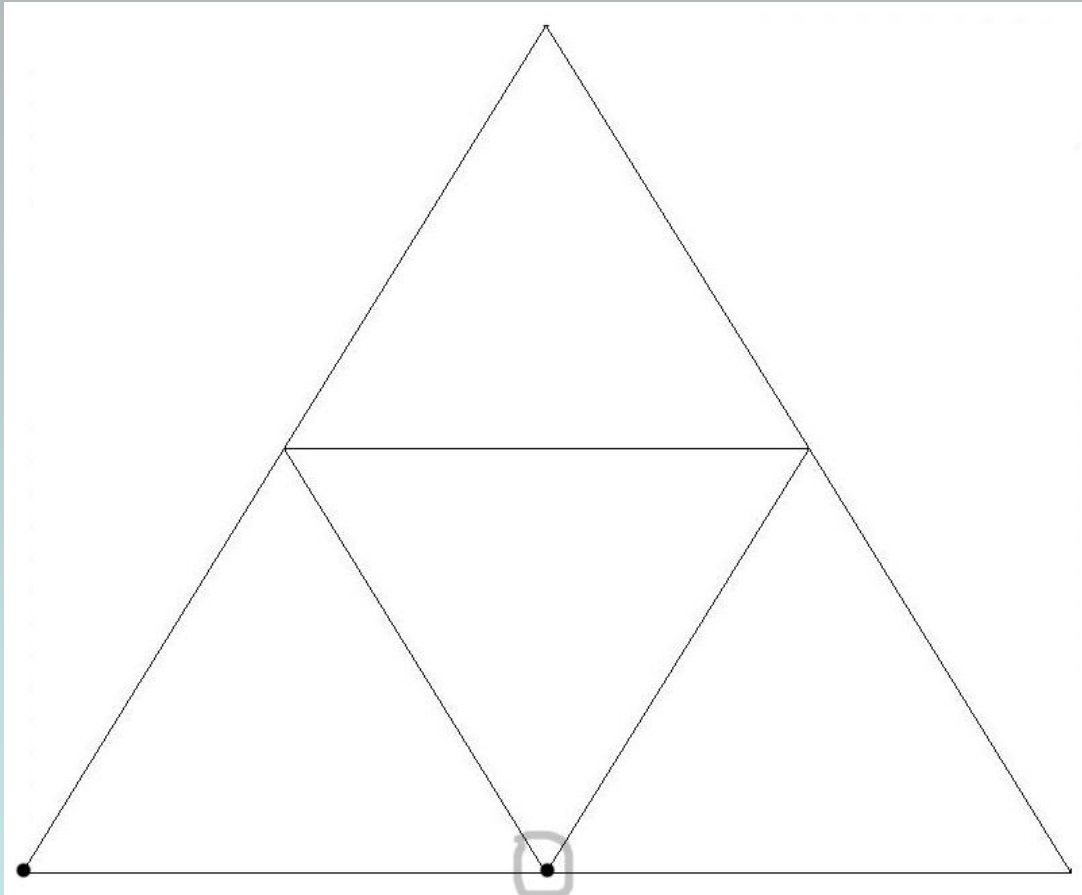
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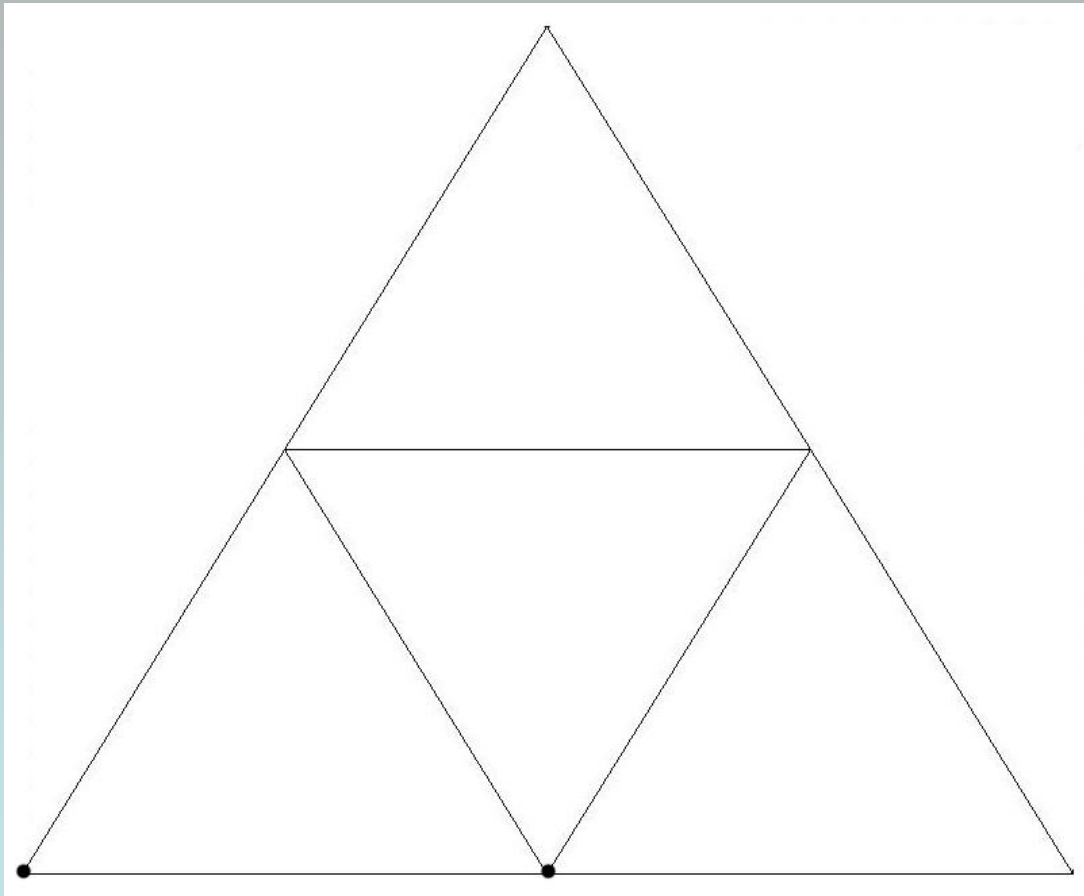
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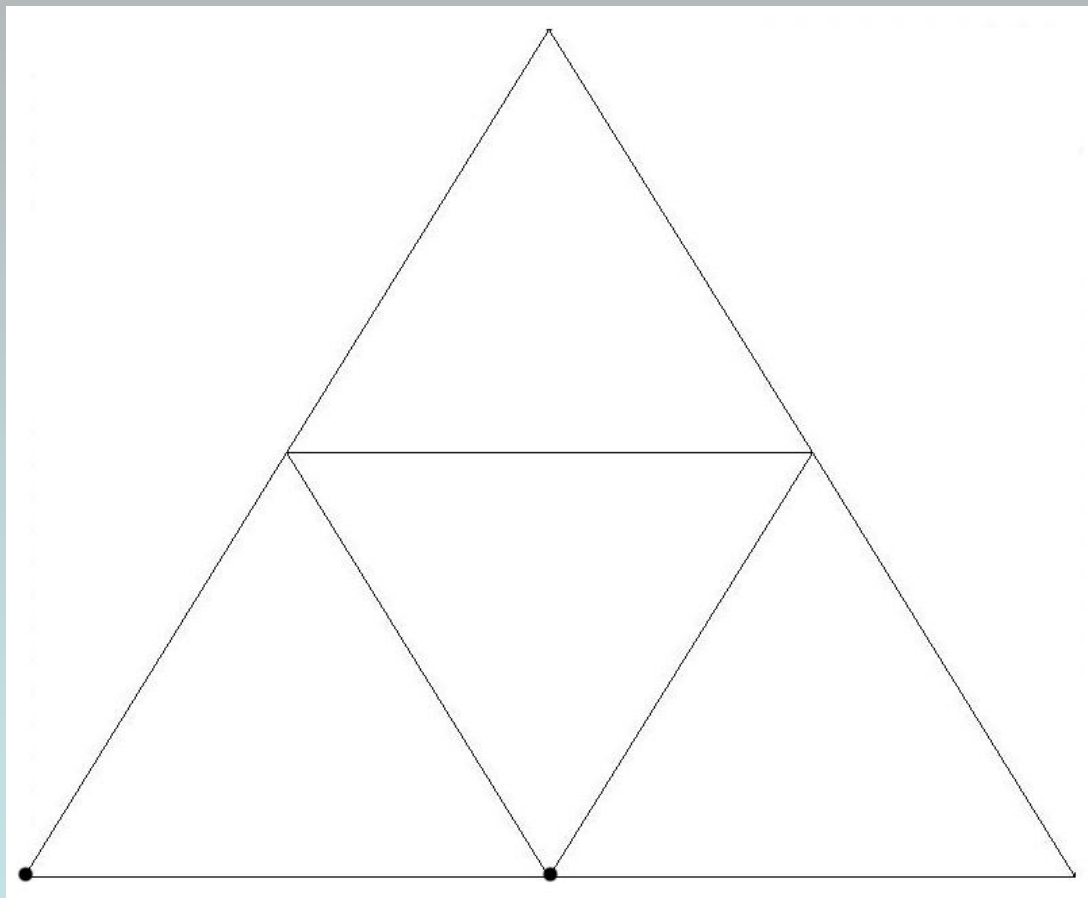


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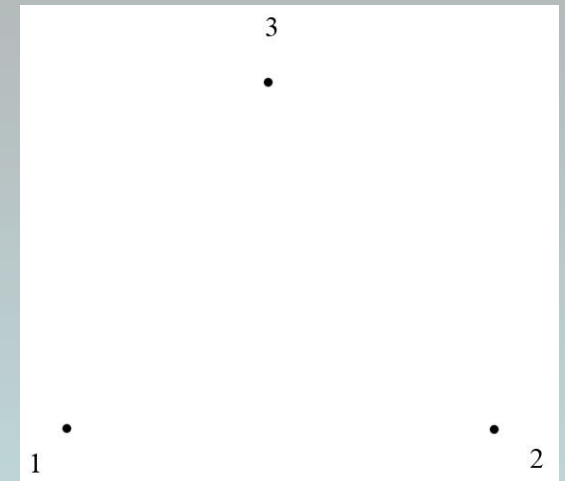
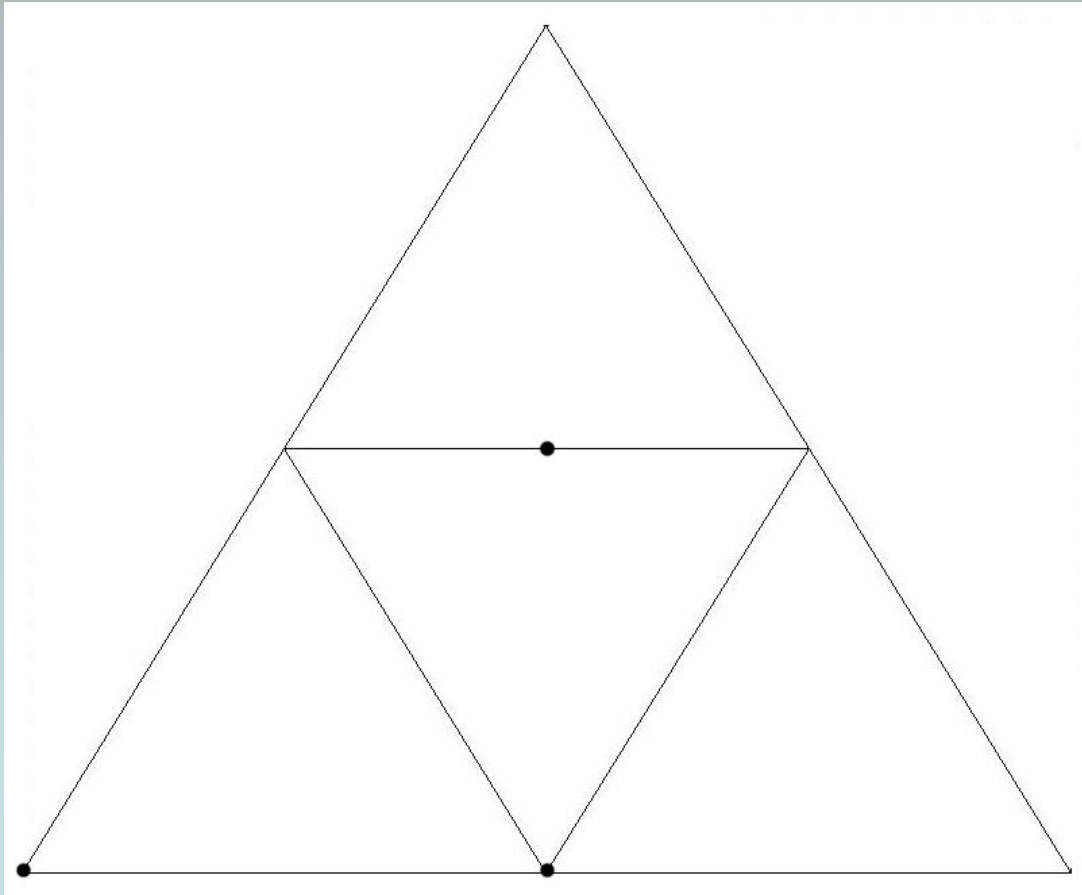
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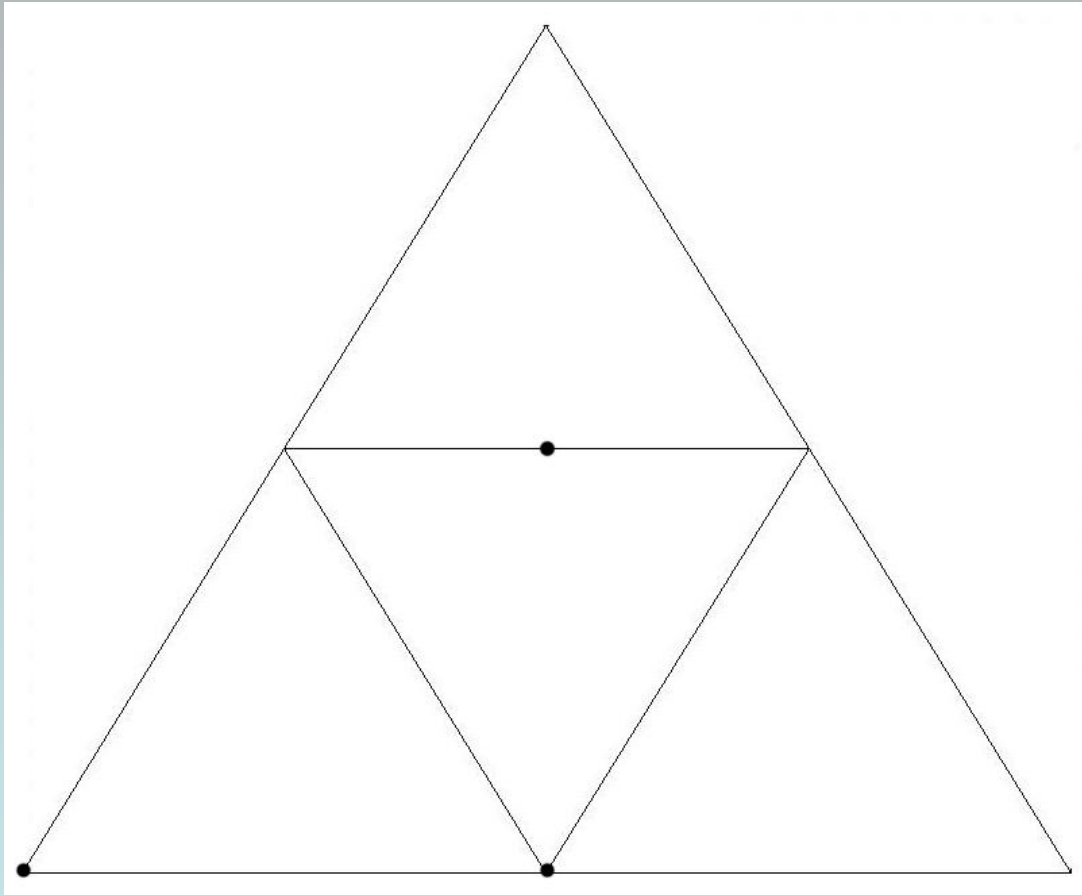
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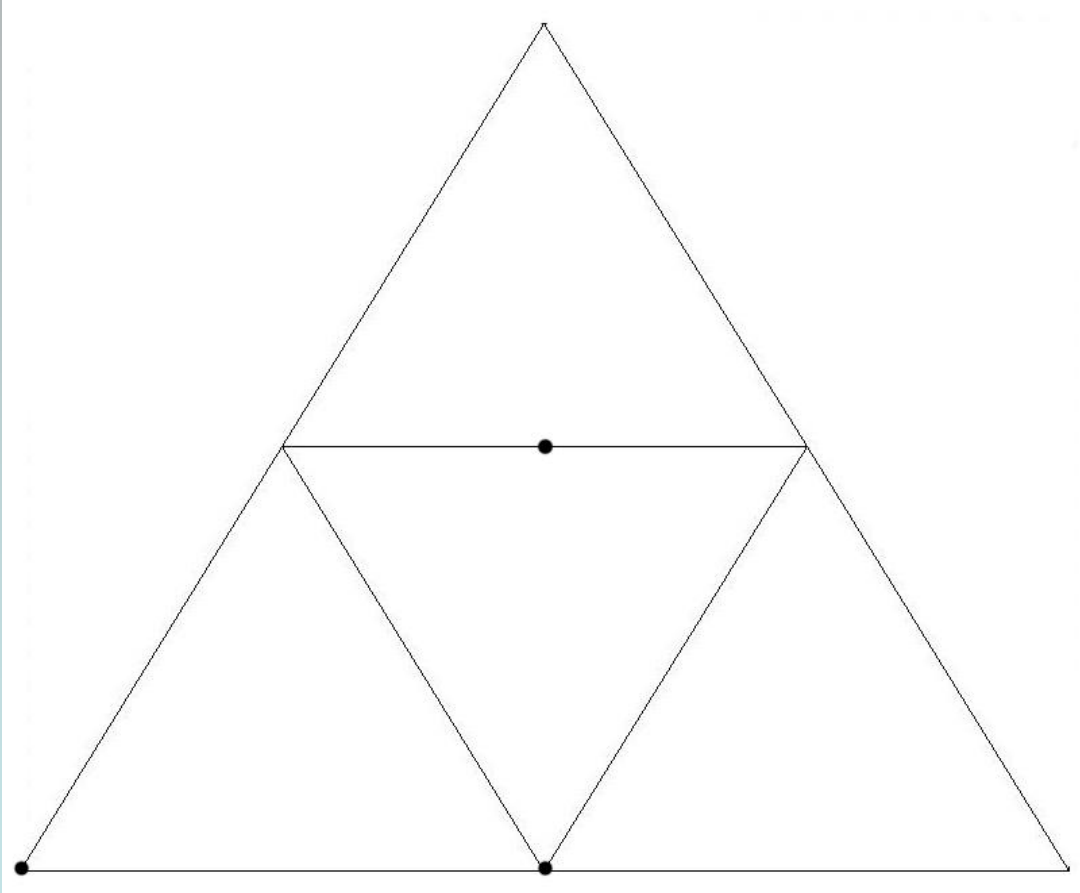


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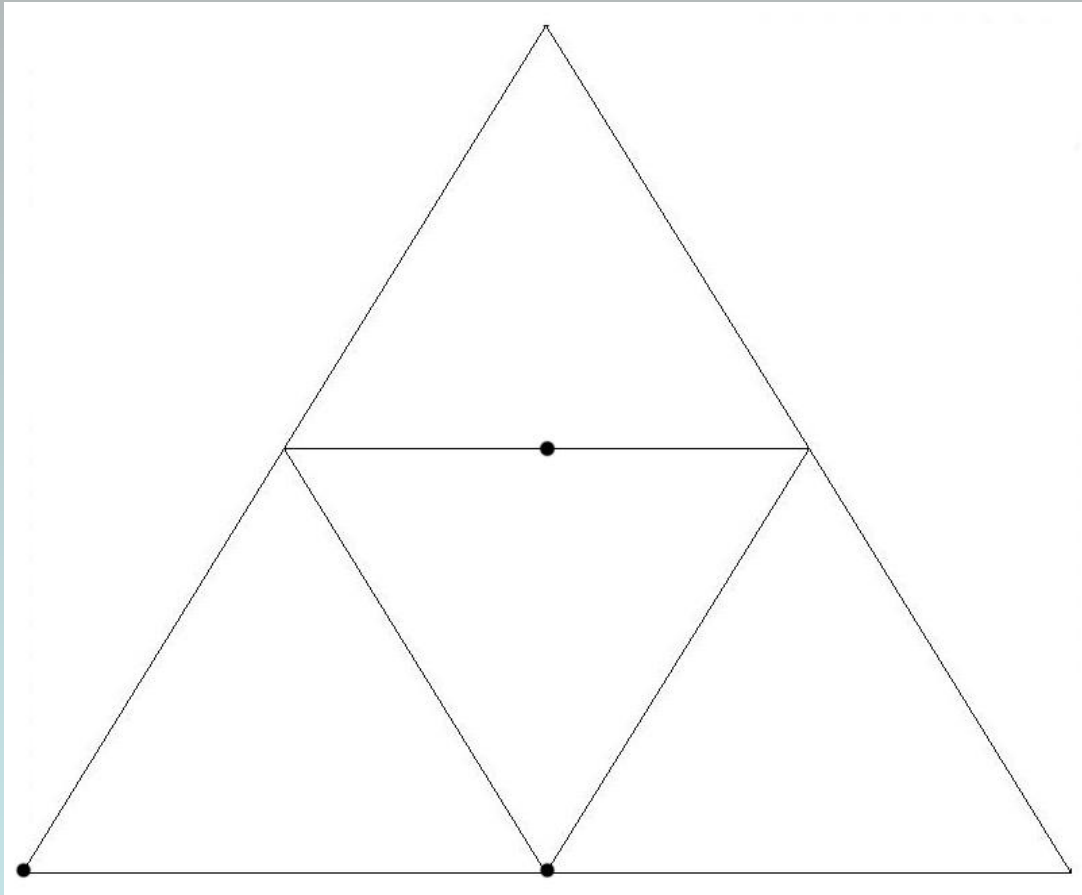


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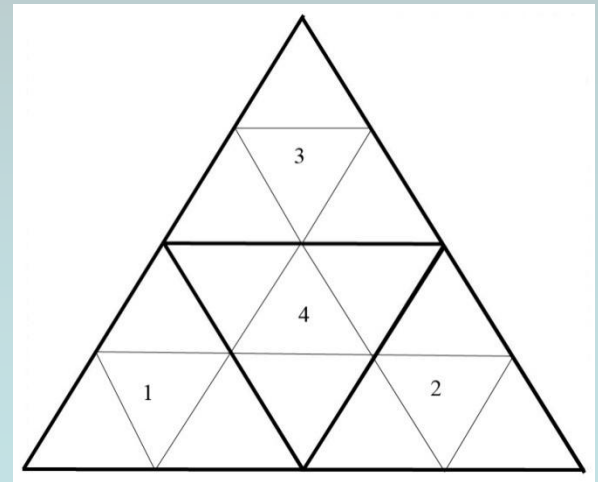


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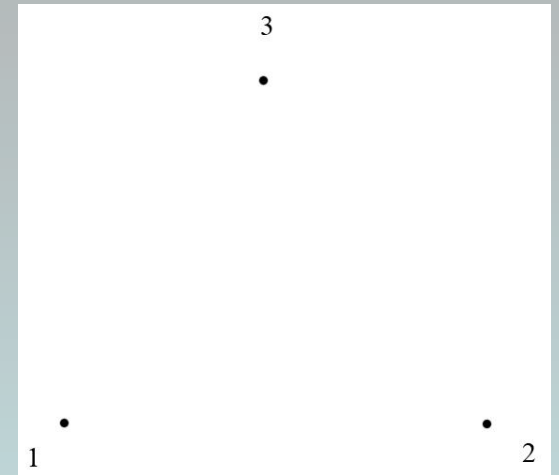
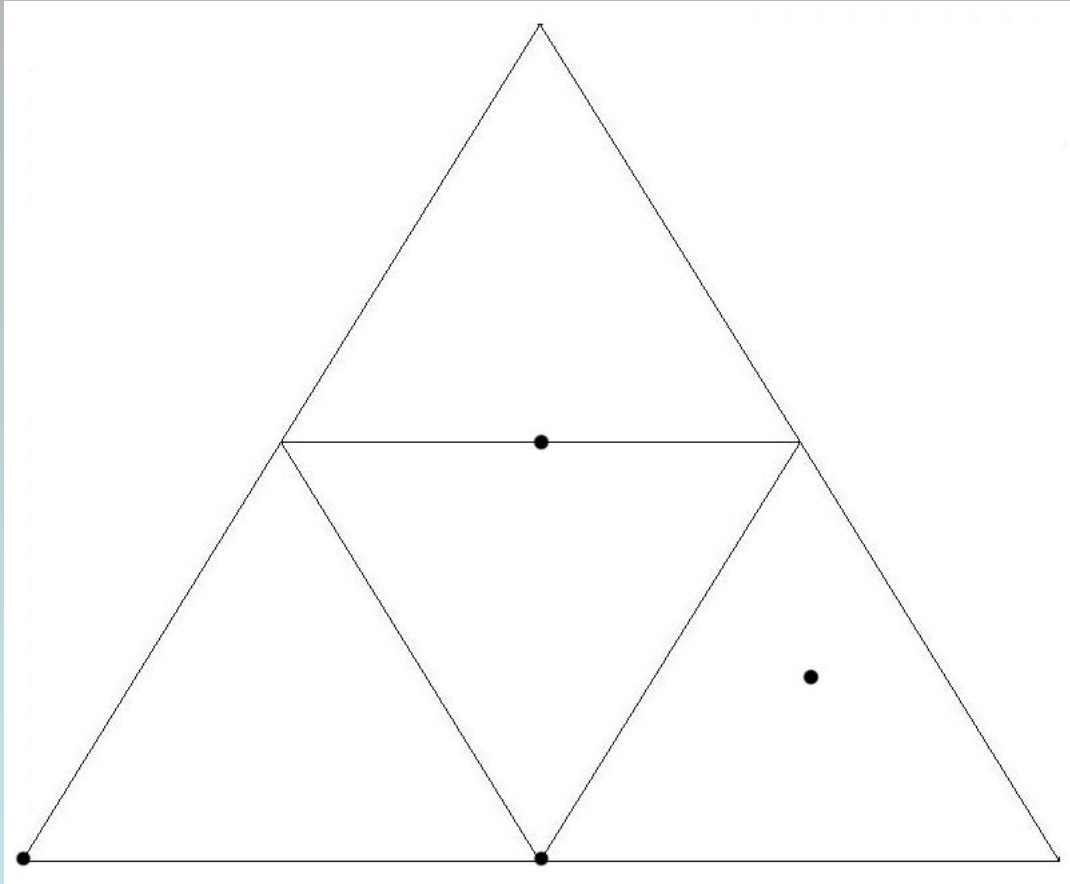


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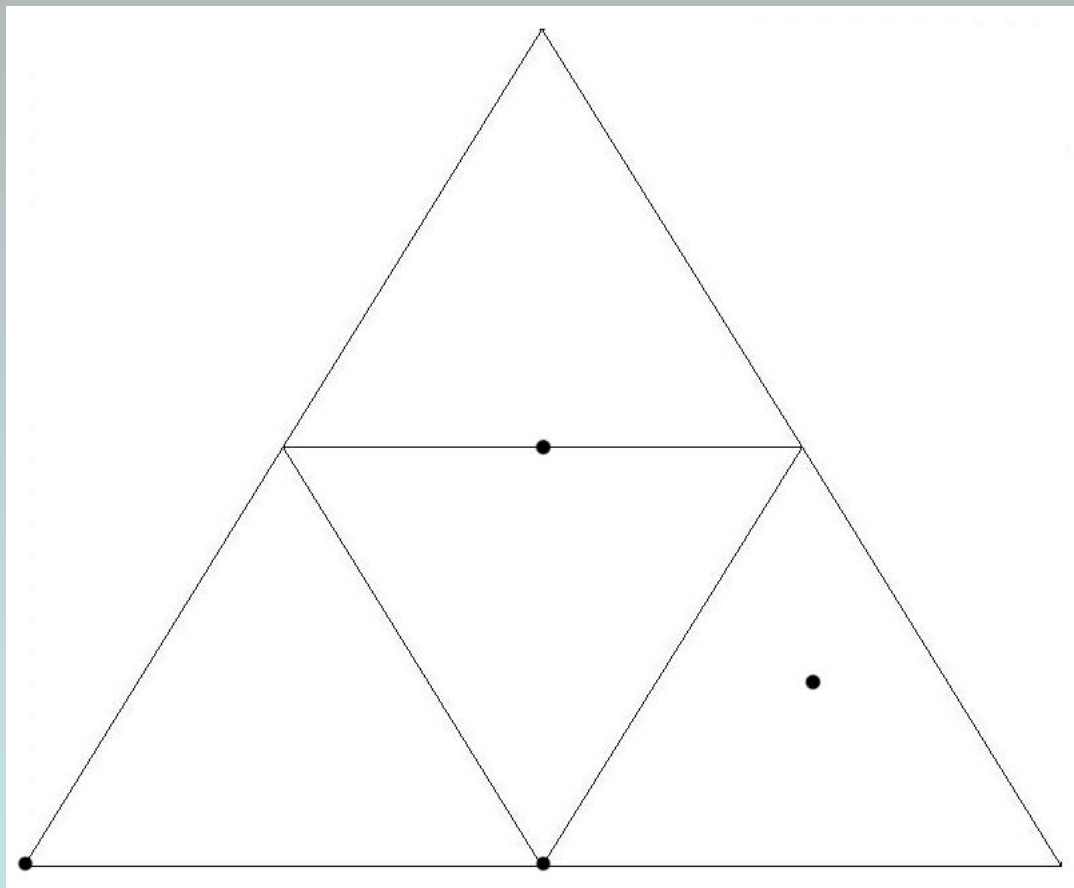
3211111111.....



Next game number is a 2;

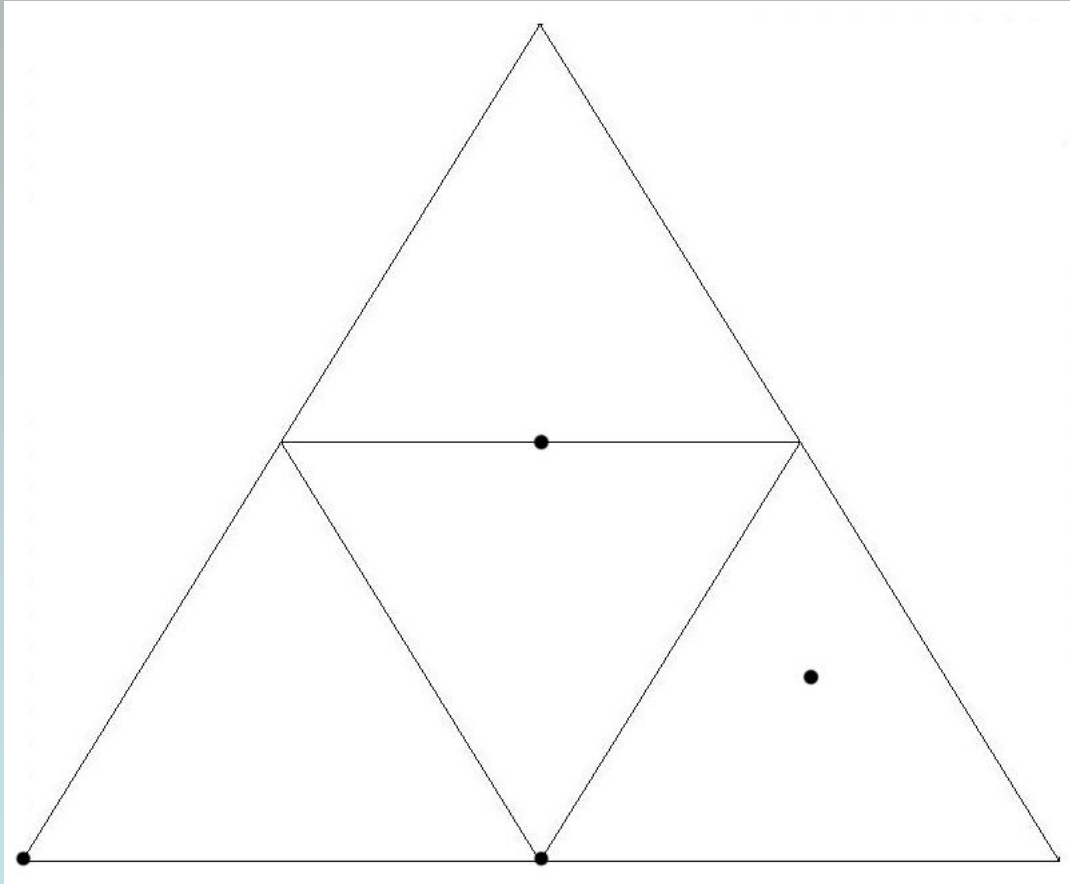


Next game number is a 2;



Address of previous game point  
is 3211111111...

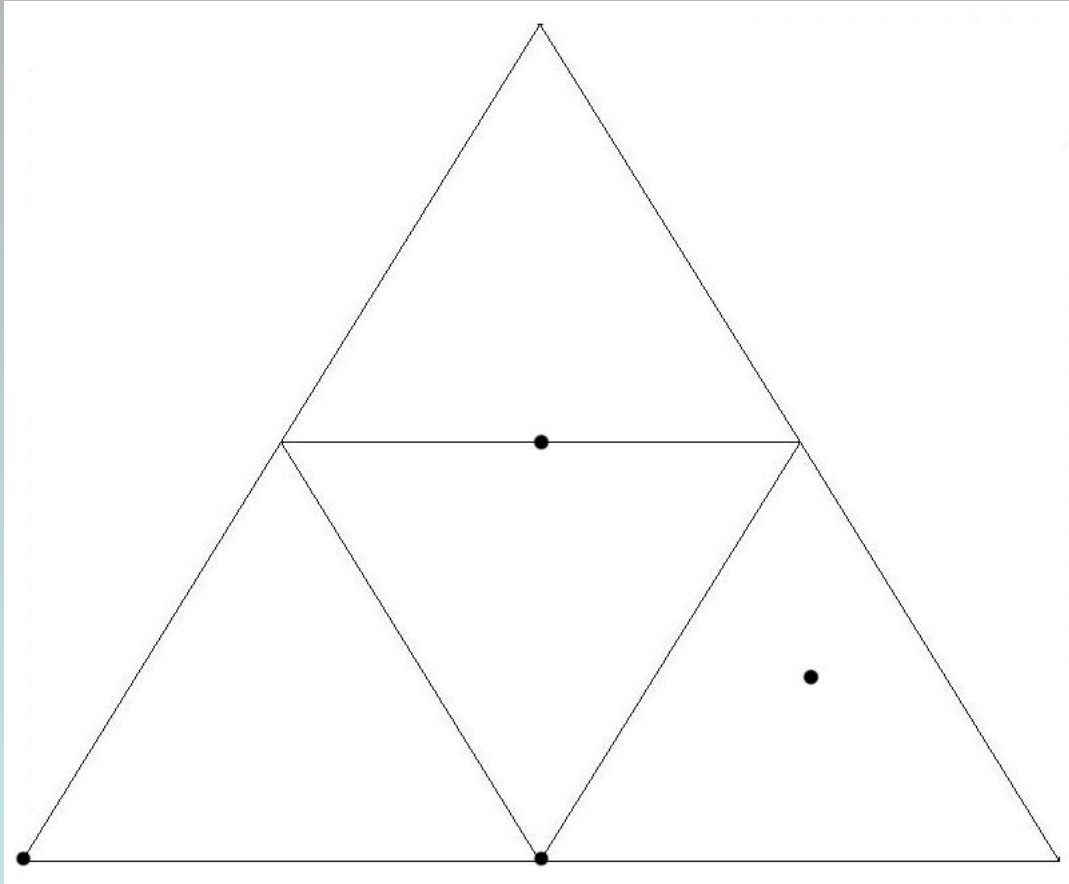
# Next game number is a 2;



Address of previous game point  
is 321111111...

Address of this game point is

# Next game number is a 2;

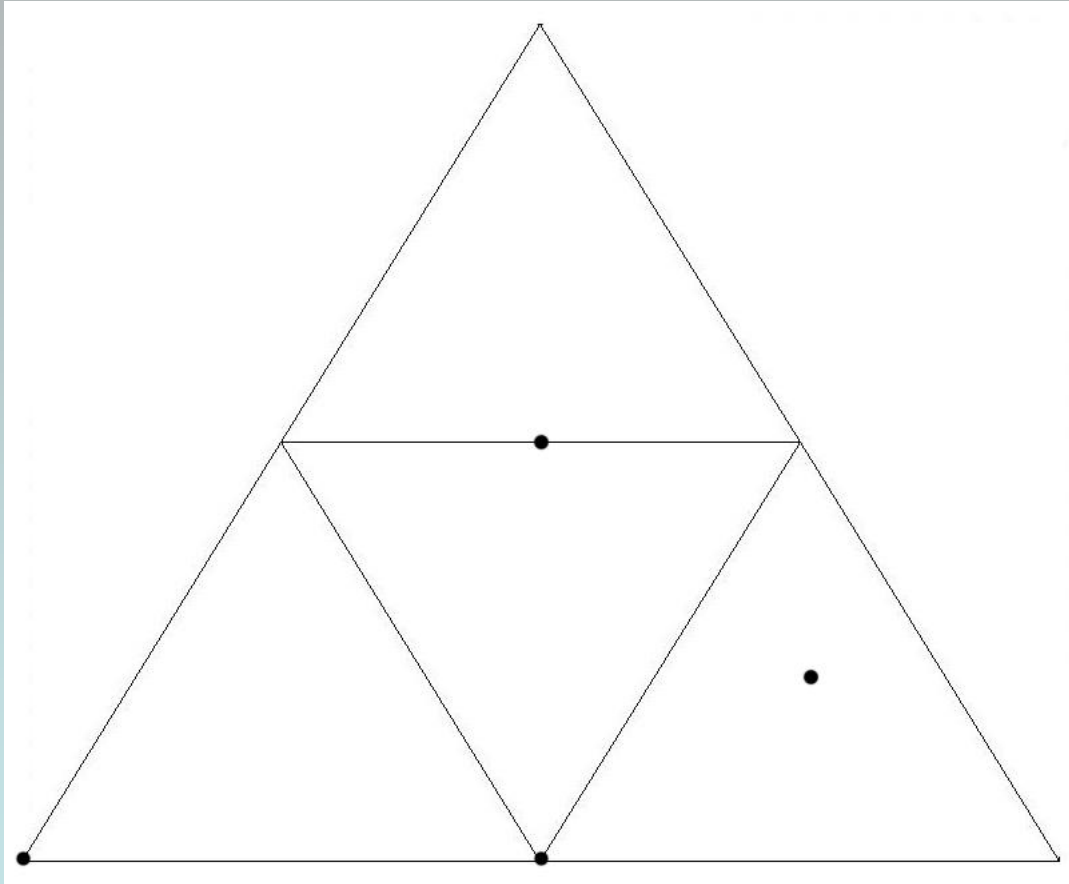


Address of previous game point  
is 3211111111...

Address of this game point is

2321111111.....

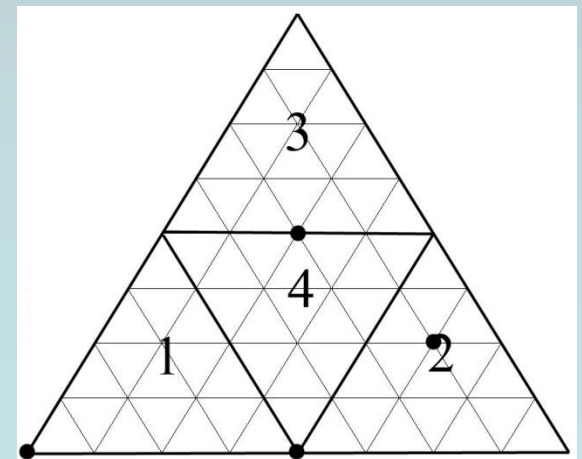
Next game number is a 2;



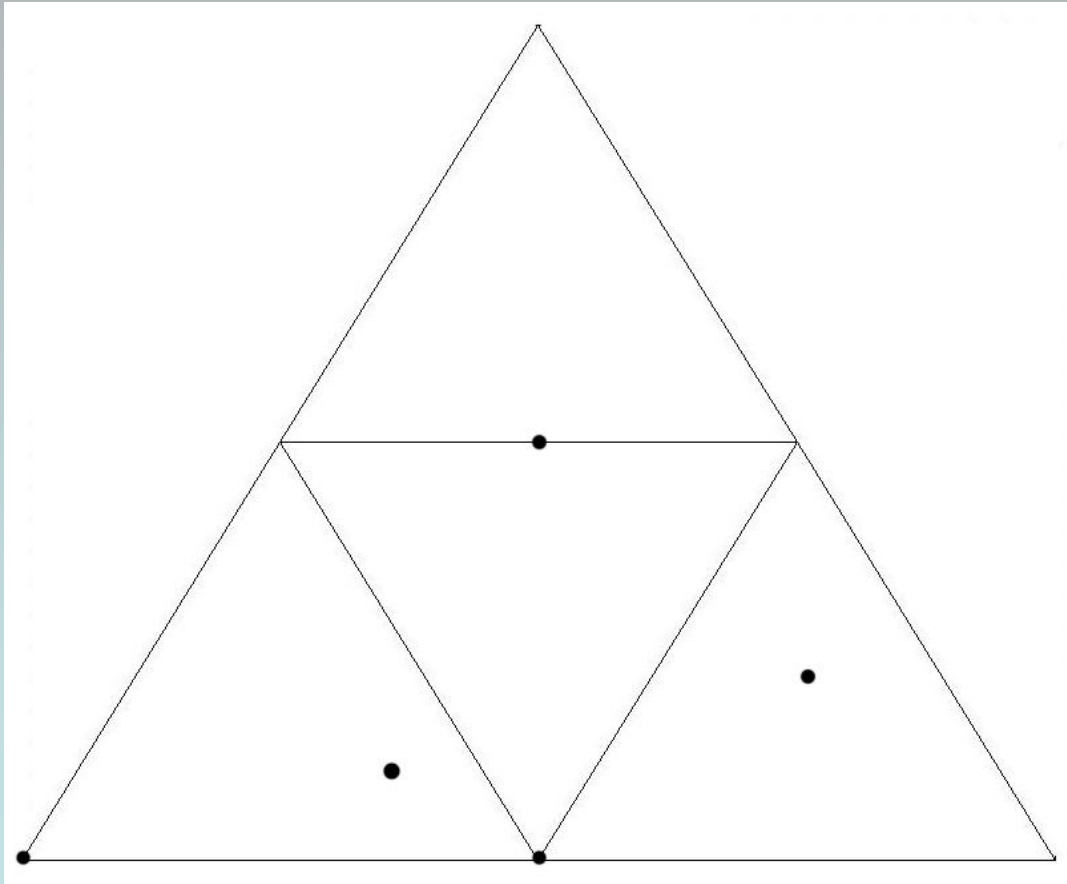
Address of previous game point  
is 3211111111...

Address of this game point is

2321111111.....

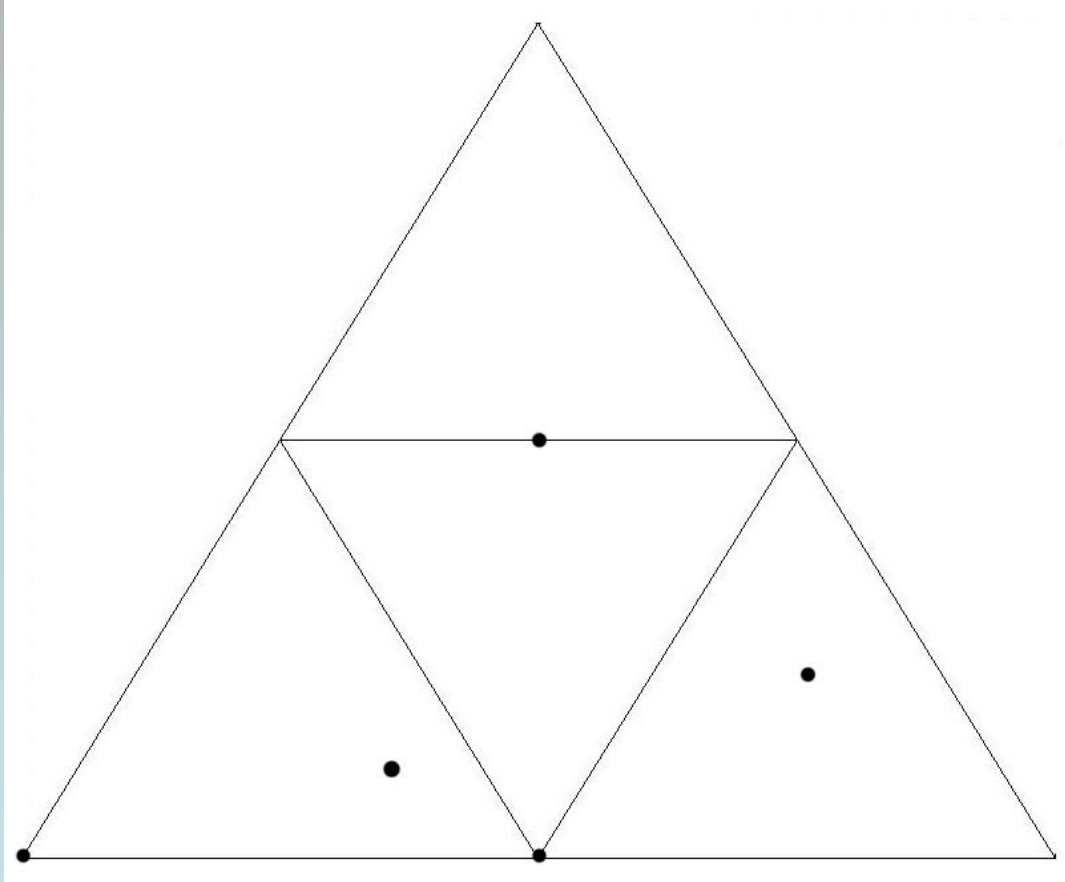


Next game number is a 1;





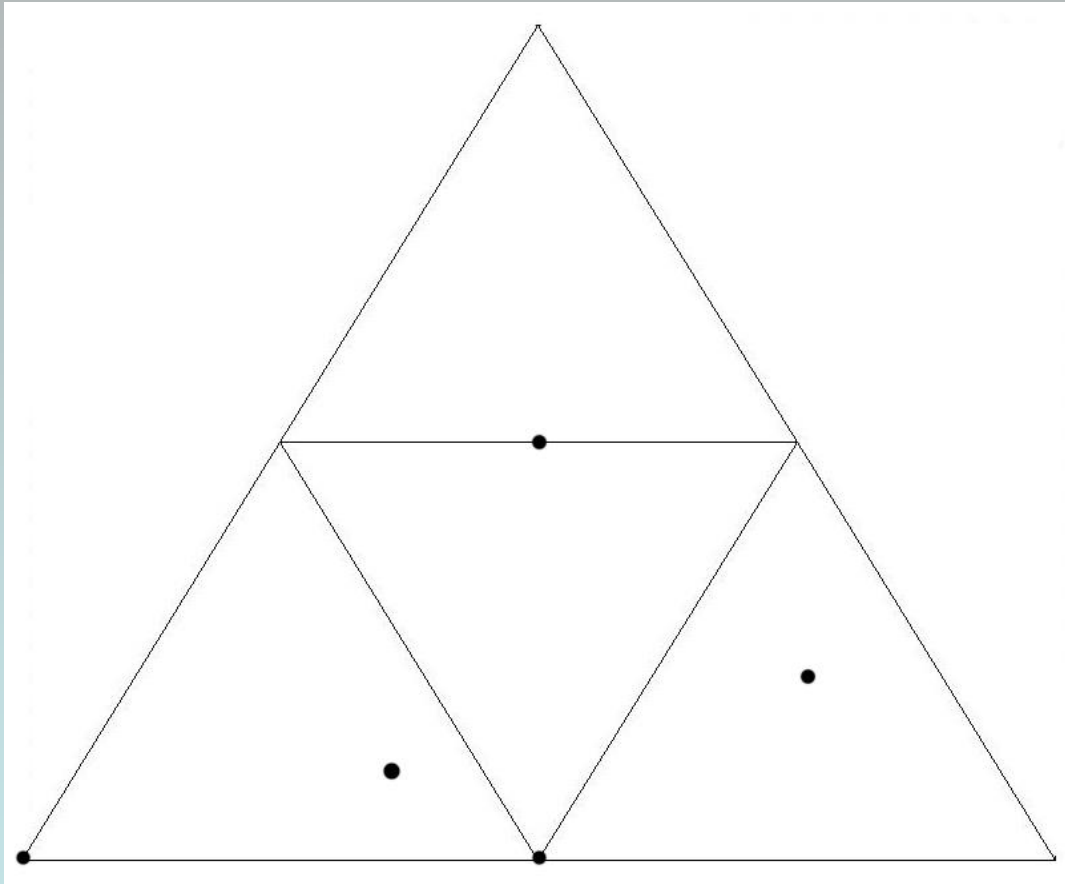
# Next game number is a 1;



Address of previous game point  
is 2321111111...

Address of this game point is

# Next game number is a 1;

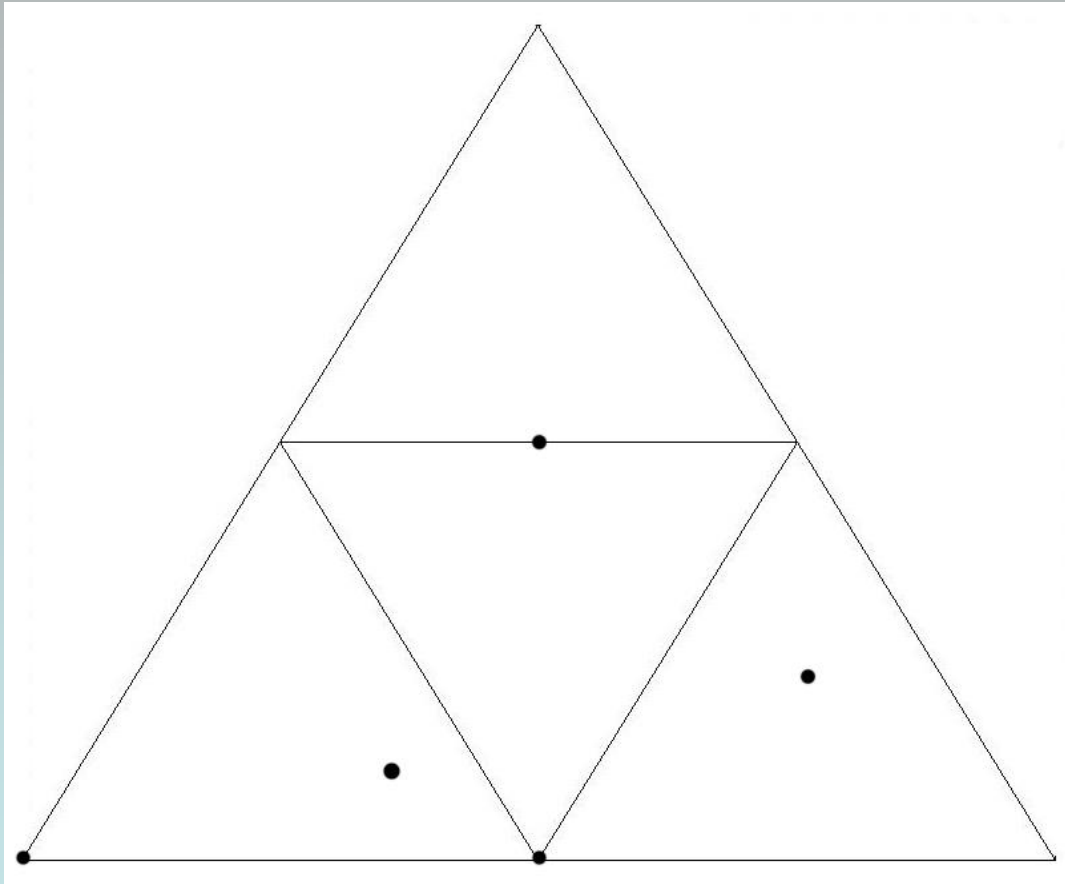


Address of previous game point  
is 2321111111...

Address of this game point is

12321111111.....

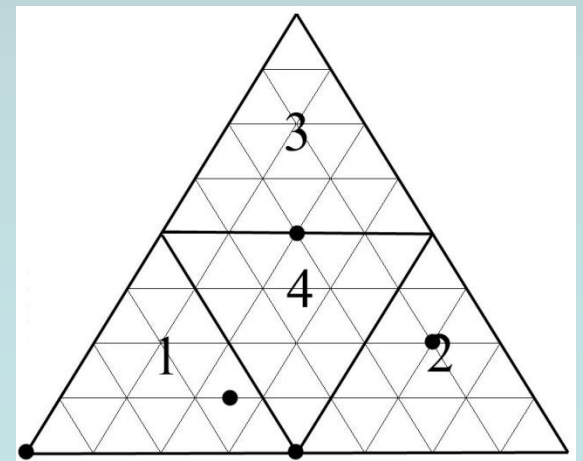
# Next game number is a 1;



Address of previous game point  
is 23211111111...

Address of this game point is

12321111111.....



So, if the game numbers are  $s_1, s_2, s_3, \dots, s_k, \dots$ ,  
the addresses of the game points are

game point 1:  $s_1 \dots\dots\dots$

game point 2:  $s_2 s_1 \dots\dots\dots$

game point 3:  $s_3 s_2 s_1 \dots\dots$

$\vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots$

game point k:  $s_k \dots\dots\dots s_3 s_2 s_1 \dots\dots\dots$

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game point 3:  $s_3 s_2 s_1 \dots \dots$

$\vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots \quad \vdots$

game point  $k$ :  $s_k \dots \dots s_3 s_2 s_1 \dots \dots \dots$

(Addresses of points are reversed from sequence)

Which means we can put a game point in every  
address region of the Sierpinski triangle if the  
game numbers produce every pattern of 1's, 2's,  
and 3's.

Here's one sequence of game numbers that produces every pattern of 1's, 2's, and 3's;

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1 2 3 - first, all patterns of length 1



Here's one sequence of game numbers that produces every pattern of 1's, 2's, and 3's;

123

11 12 13 21 22 23 31 32 33

- then all patterns of length 2

Here's one sequence of game numbers that  
produces every pattern of 1's, 2's, and 3's;

123111213212223313233

111 112 113            now all patterns of length 3

121 122 123

131 132 133

211 212 213

221 222 223

231 232 233

311 312 313

321 322 323 .....

12311121321222331323311111211312112  
212313113213321121221322122222323...

This sequence will contain every pattern of 1's, 2's, and 3's. So if we play the Sierpinski chaos game with this game sequence, the game points will cover all regions of the fractal.

Another sequence that contains all patterns  
is a *random sequence*

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if a 3 or 4 comes up, game number is 2



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if a 3 or 4 comes up, game number is 2

if a 5 or 6 comes up, game number is 3

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Choose each game number randomly, eg.,  
roll a die;

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if a 3 or 4 comes up, game number is 2

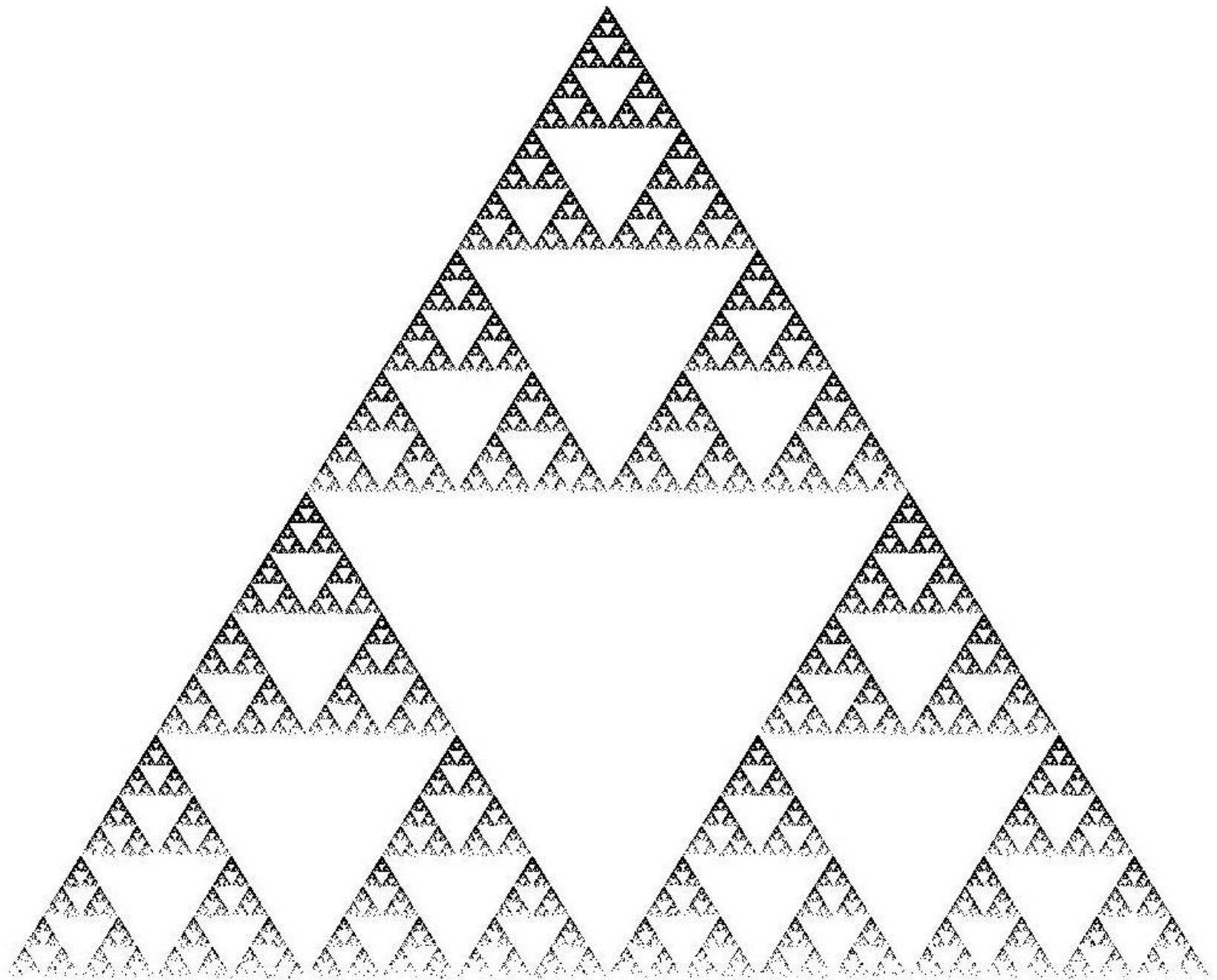
if a 5 or 6 comes up, game number is 3

These game numbers will also draw the  
fractal.

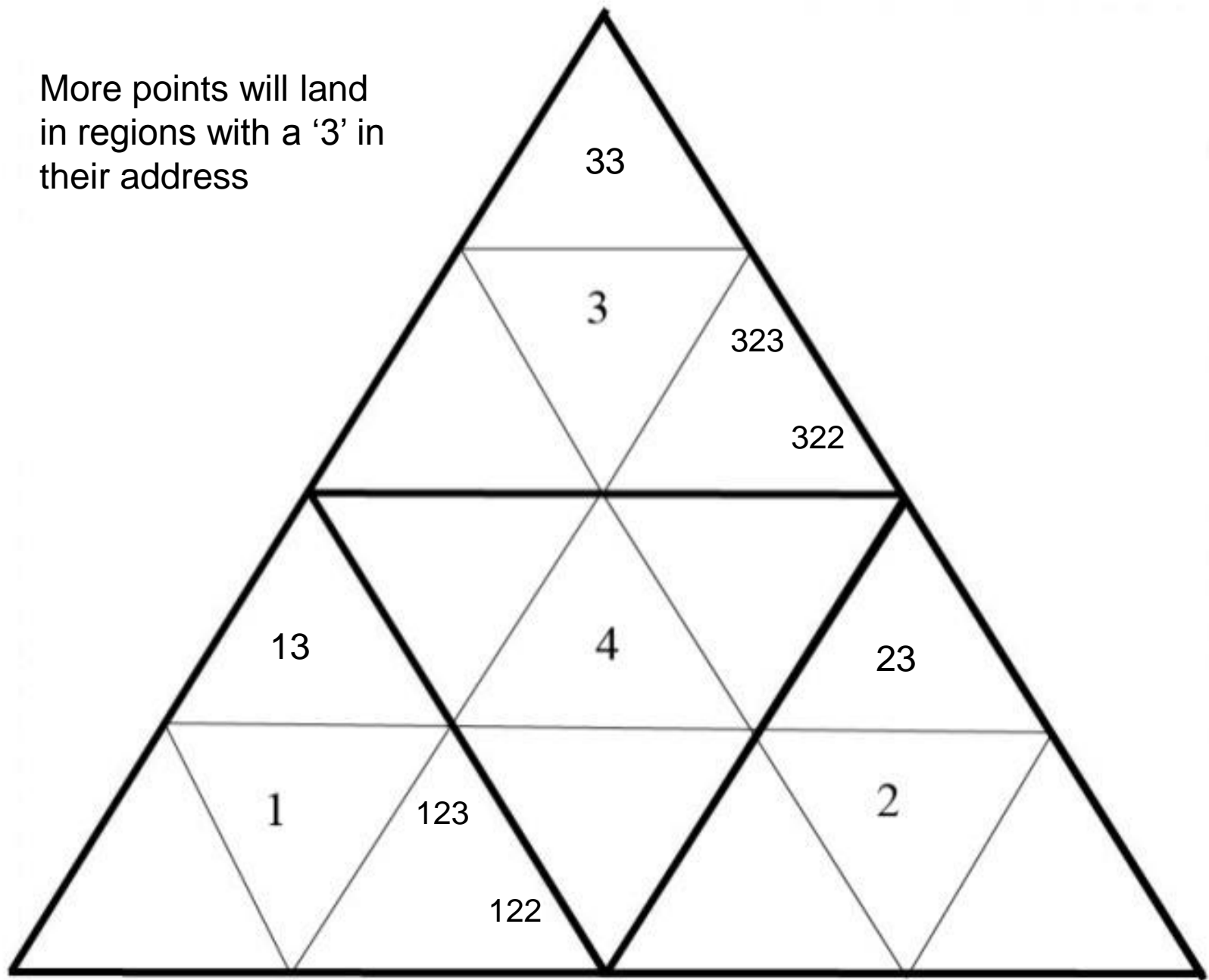
# Adjusting probabilities

Suppose we randomly choose 1, 2, 3, but we choose 3  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the time and 1 and 2  $\frac{1}{6}$  of the time each (roll a die: if 1 comes up choose 1, if 2 comes up choose 2, if 3,4,5 or 6 come up choose 3);

$$p_1 = \frac{1}{6}, \quad p_2 = \frac{1}{6}, \quad p_3 = \frac{2}{3}$$



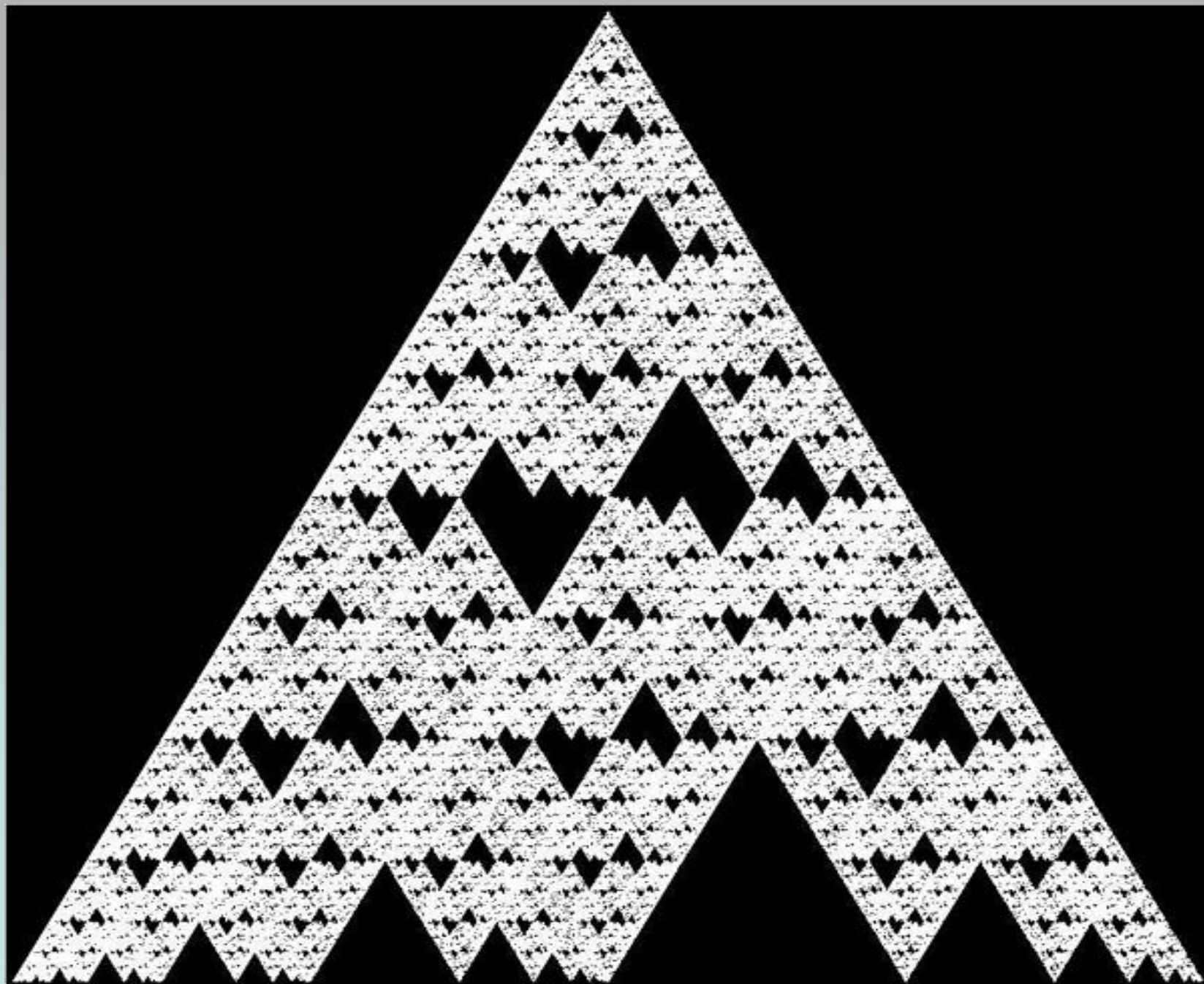
More points will land  
in regions with a '3' in  
their address



# Pseudo Fractals

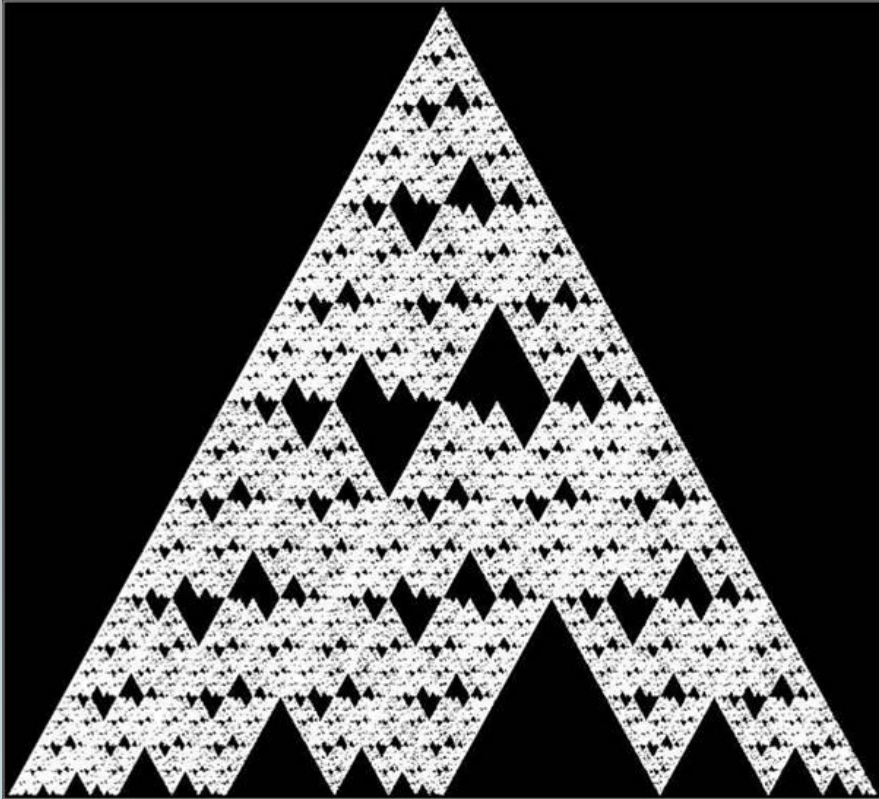
## Full Triangle Pseudo Fractal

- Same set up as for the Full Triangle Fractal, but generate the sequence of random numbers first.
- From this sequence remove all occurrences of '12'
- Now follow the game rules for the Full Triangle

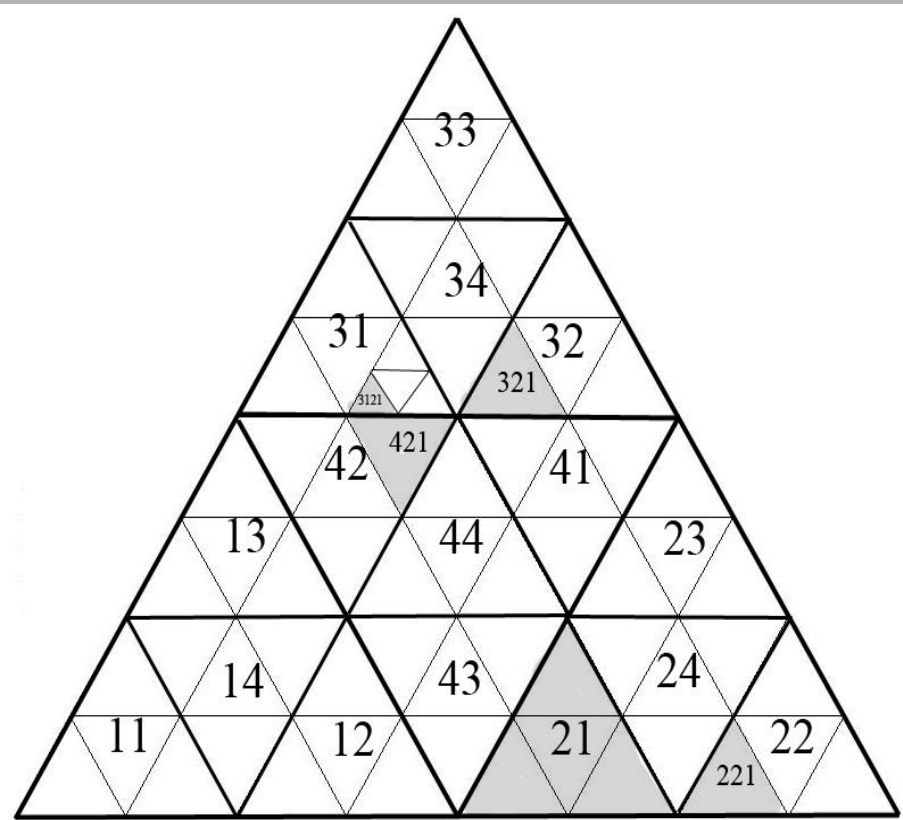
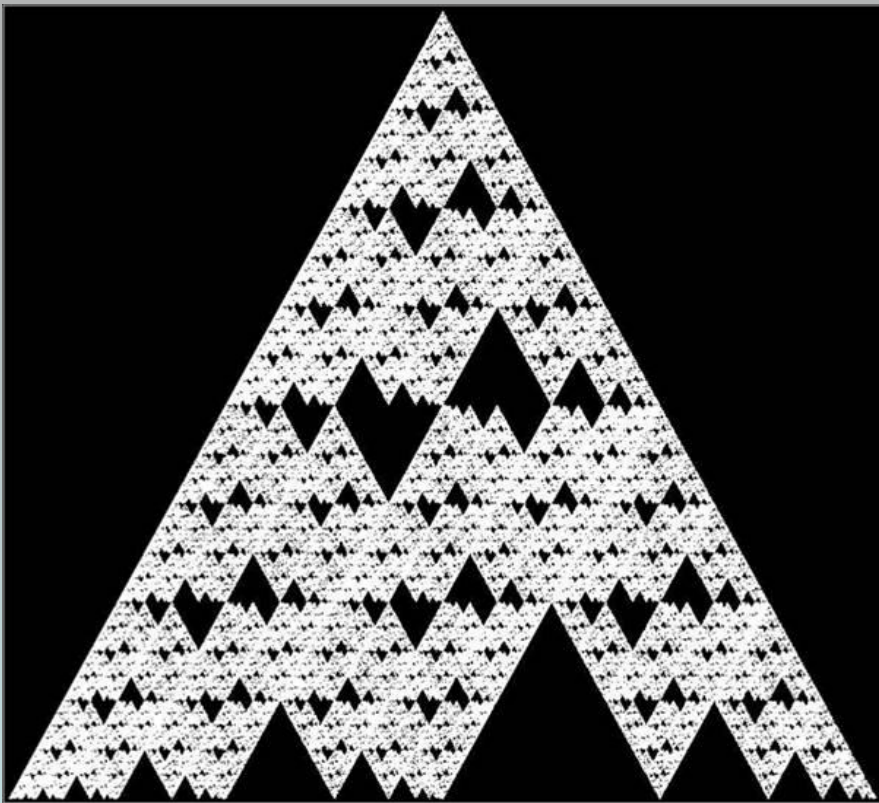




Remove all 12's from game numbers.....



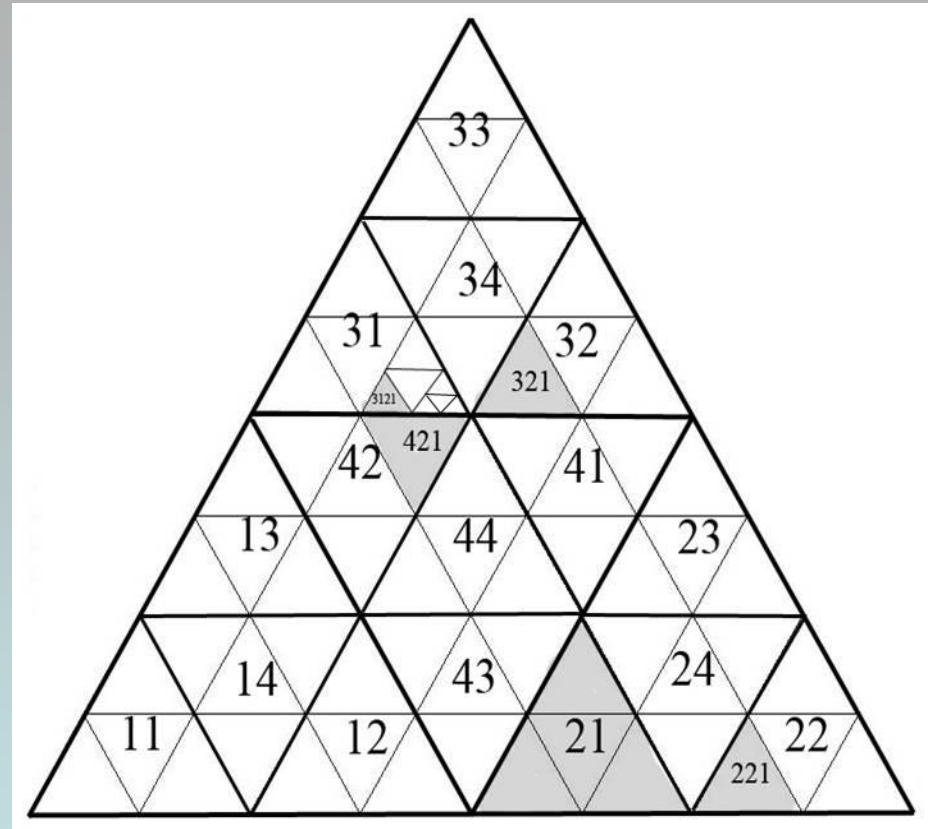
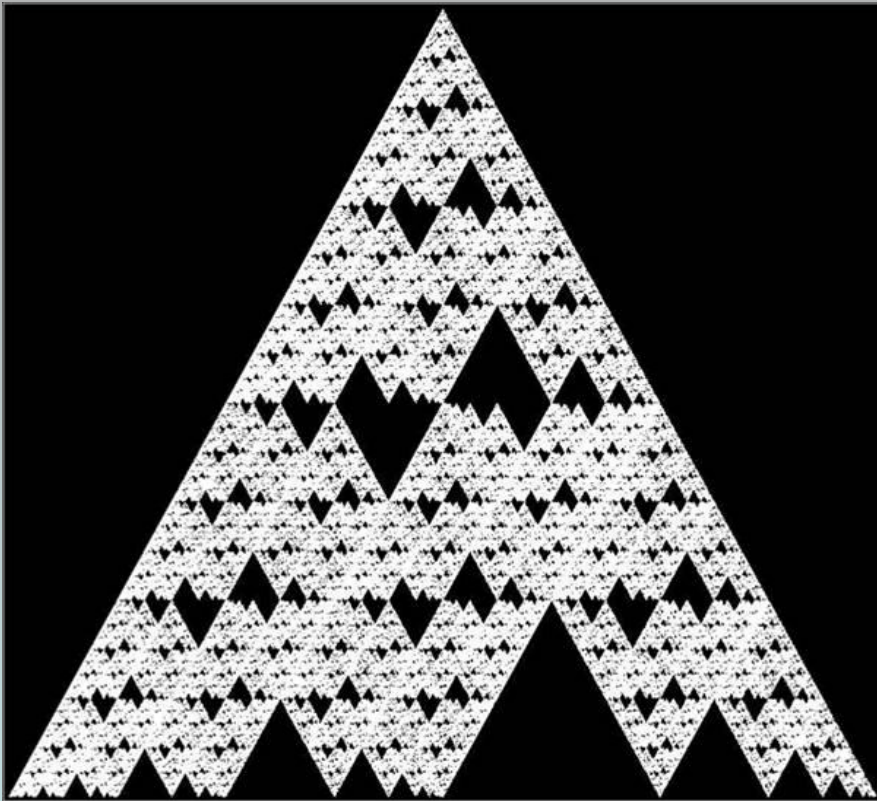
# Remove all 12's from game numbers.....



Remember, addresses of game points are the reverse of the game numbers.

So here no game points land in areas whose address contains a 21

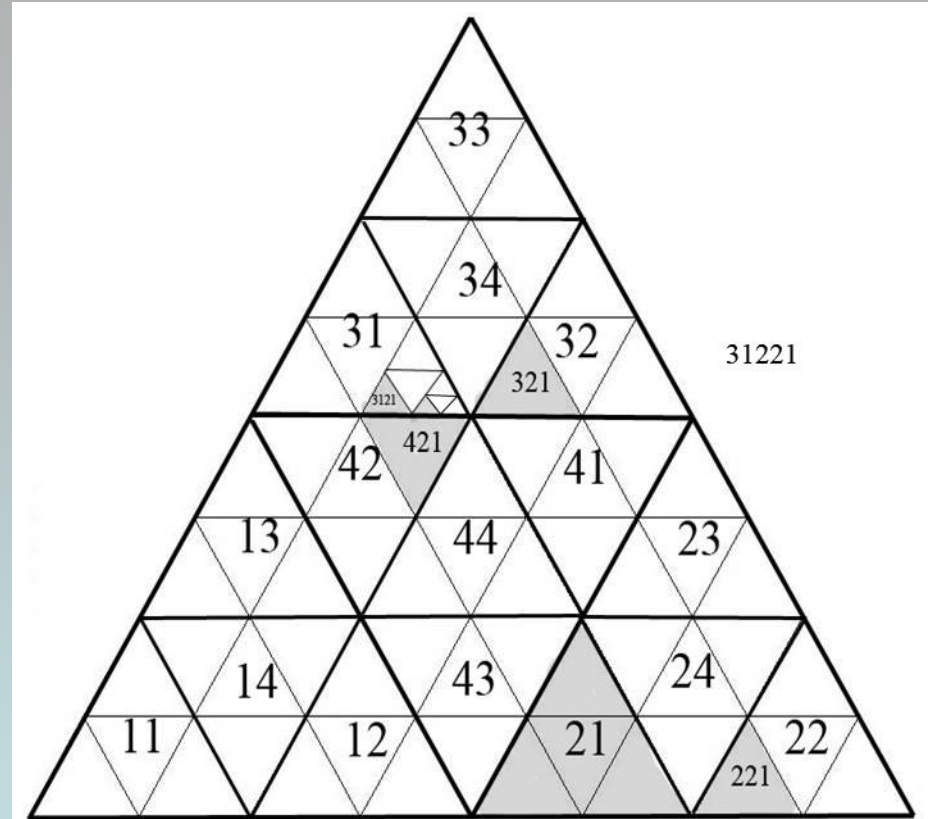
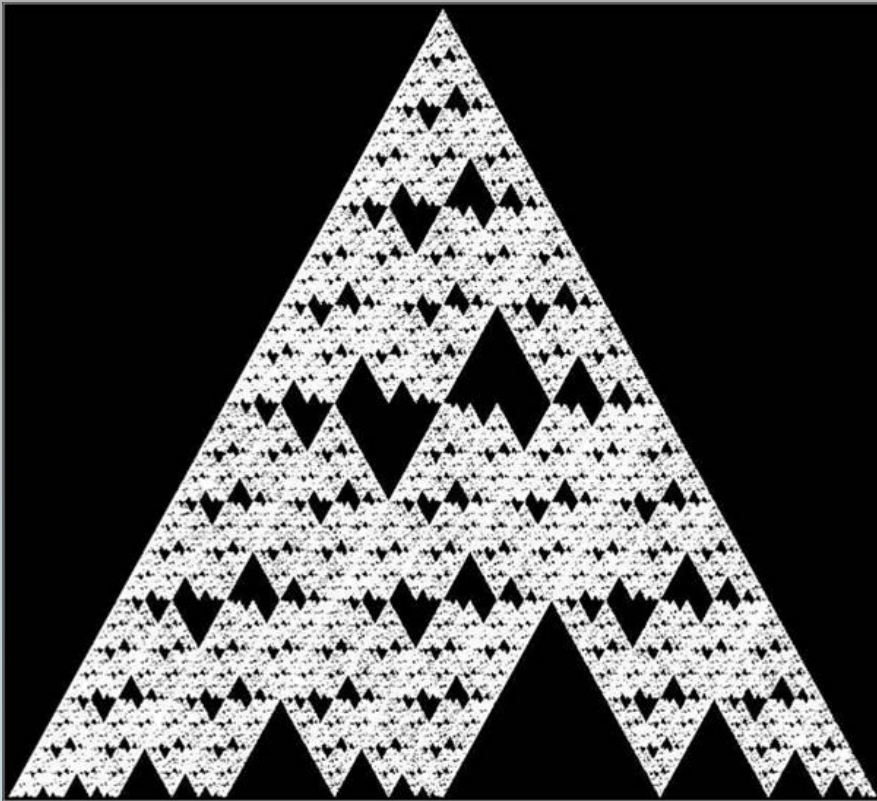
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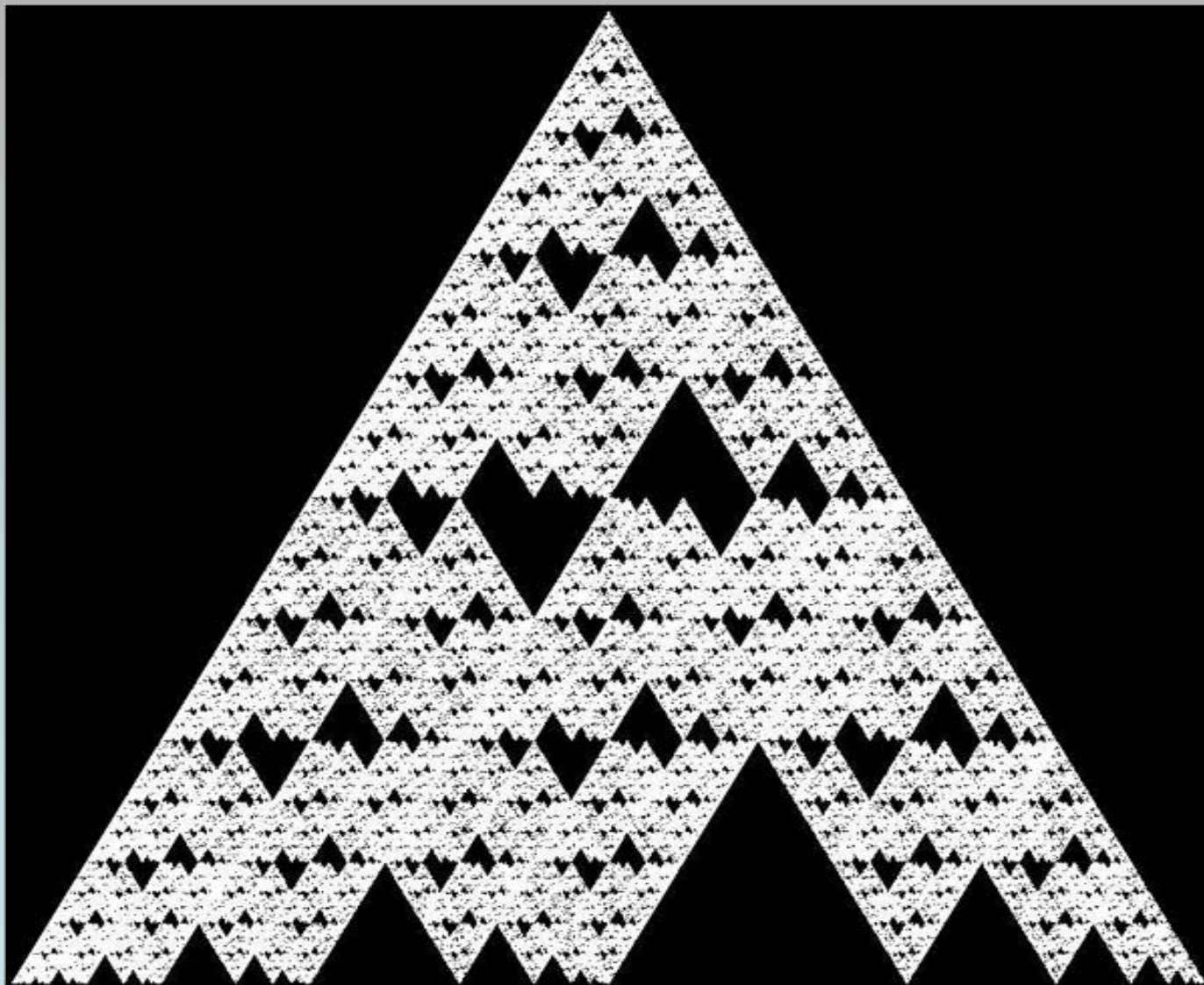


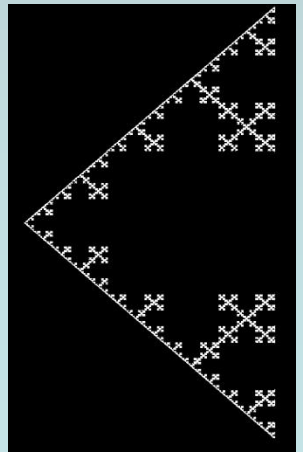
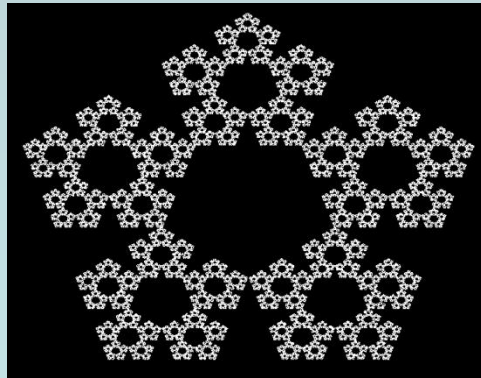
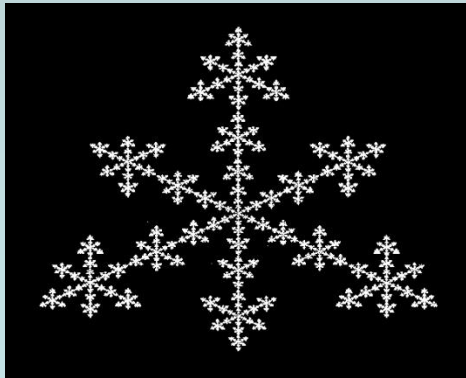
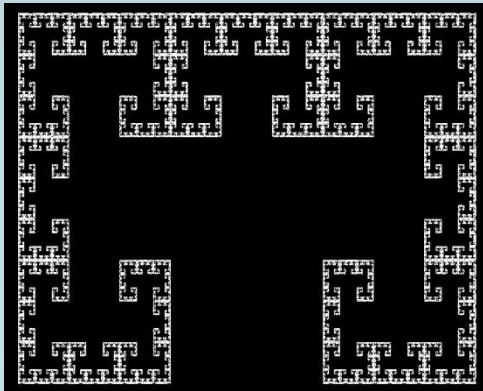
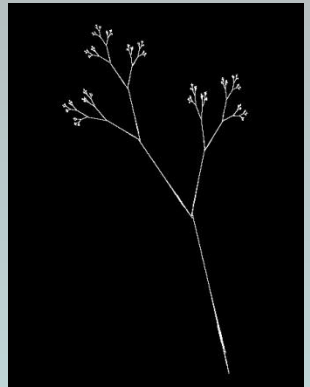
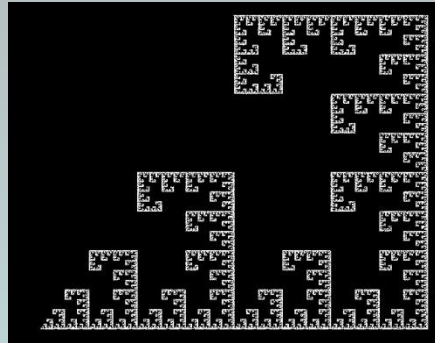
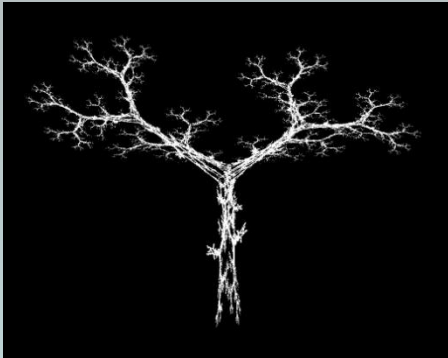
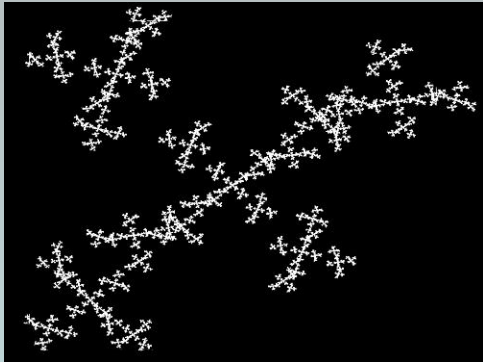
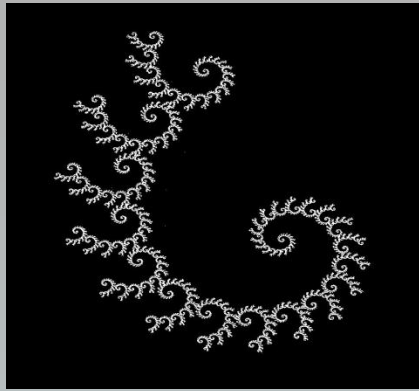
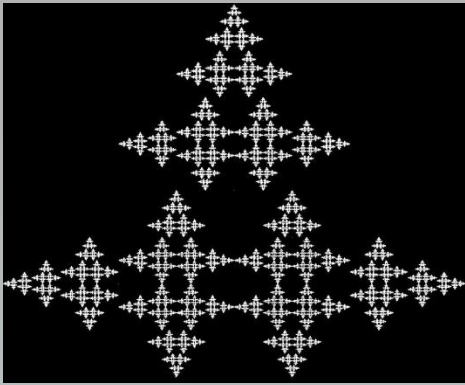
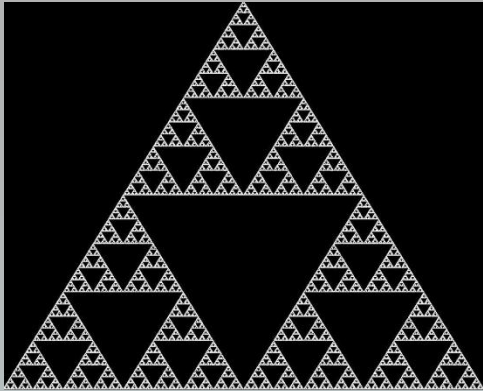
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Note; this is not a fractal (is not self-similar)





# Back to adjusting probabilities



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## Full Square

- four pins at the corners of a square
- choose random number  $s_i$  from  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$
- move  $1/2$  distance to pin labelled  $s_i$

4



3



1



2

# Back to adjusting probabilities

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4



3



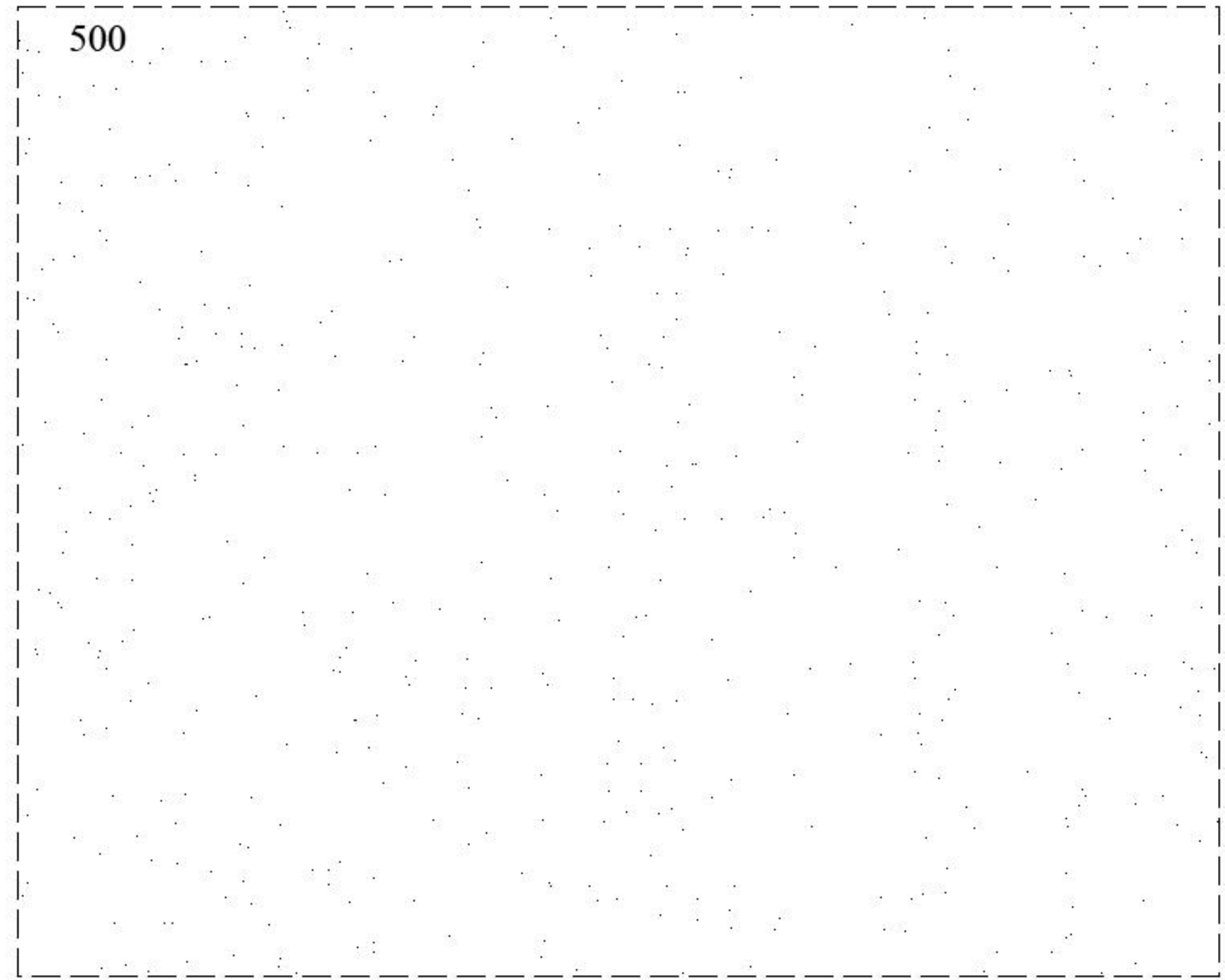
1



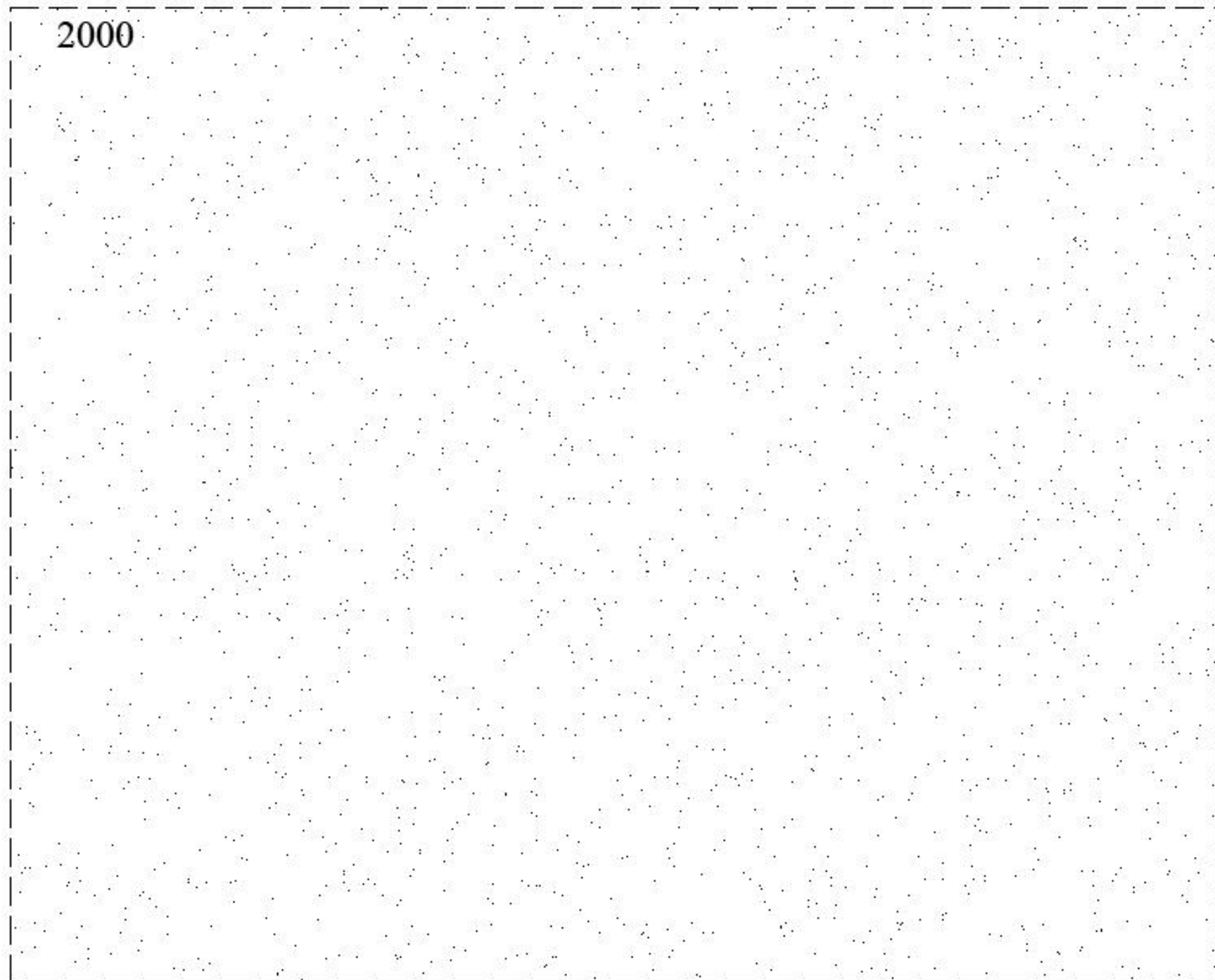
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Equal probabilities

500



2000





50,000

# Unequal probabilities;

Full Square (again)

- four pins at the corners of a square
- choose random number  $s_i$  from  $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  but this time choose 1 and 4 40% of the time each, and 2 and 3 10% of the time each
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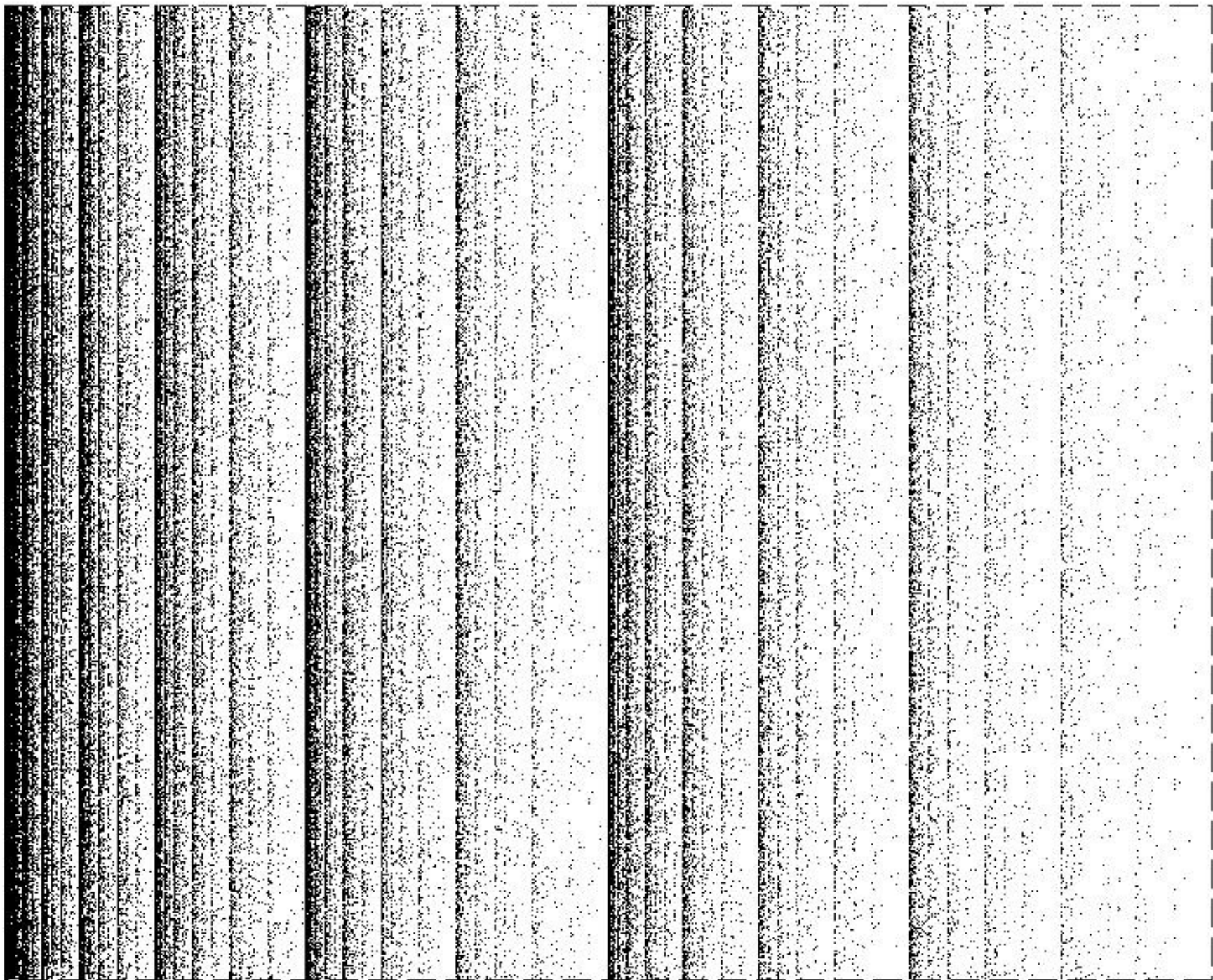
4

3

1

2





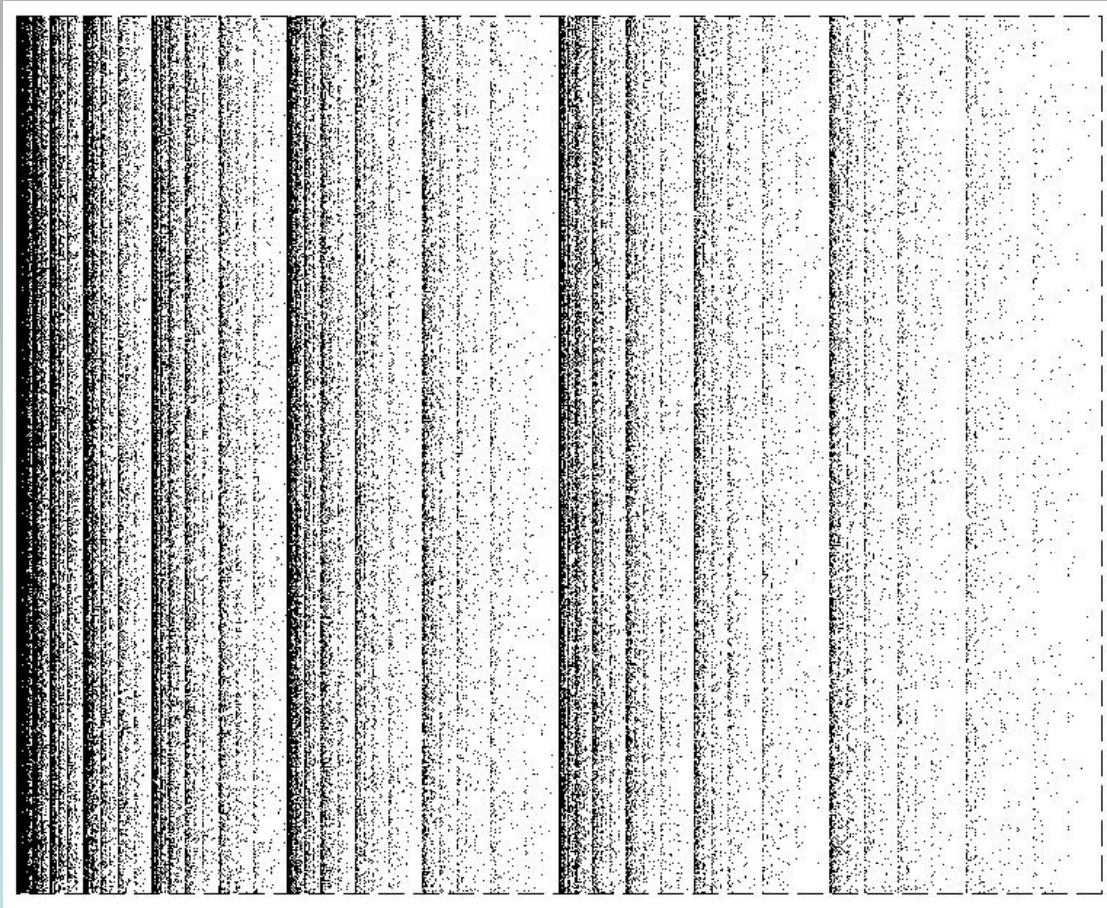


Game sequence: 2 or 3



1

3



4

2



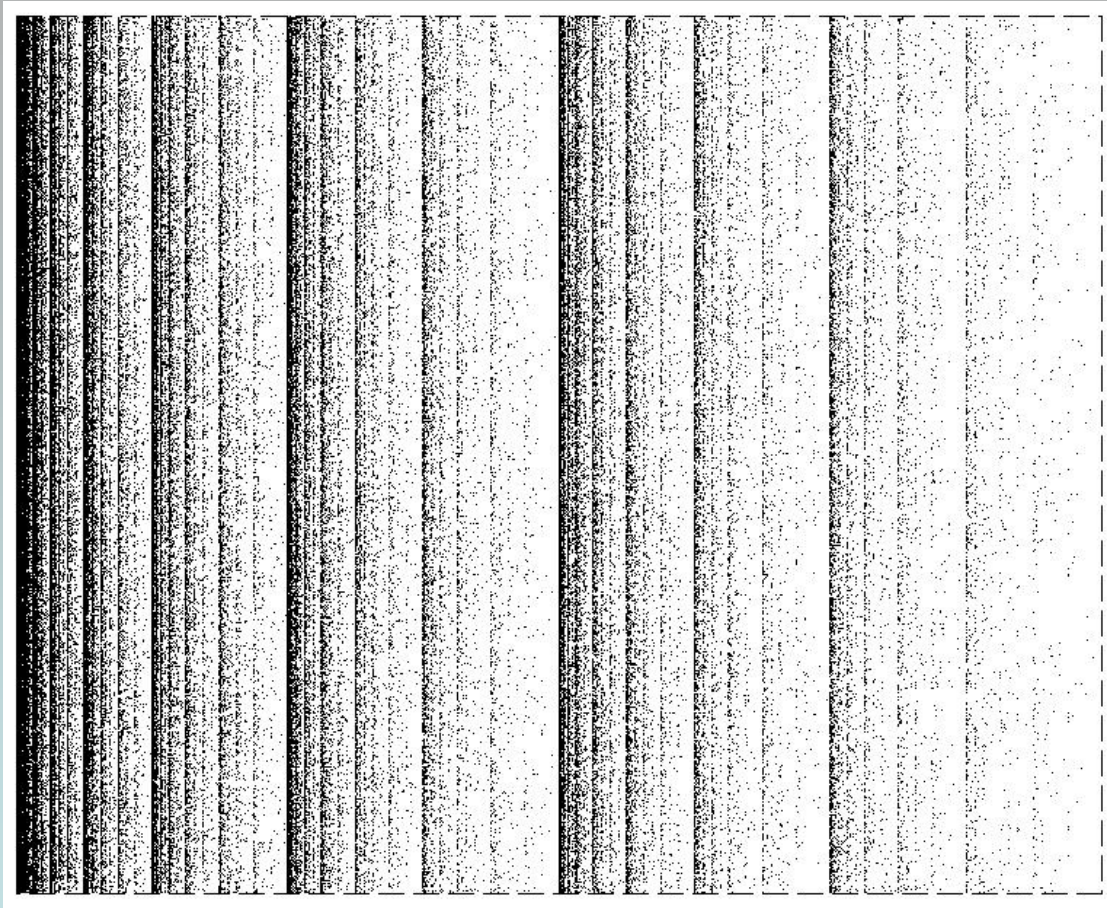
1/2

22 or 33 or 23 or 32



1

3



4

2



3/4

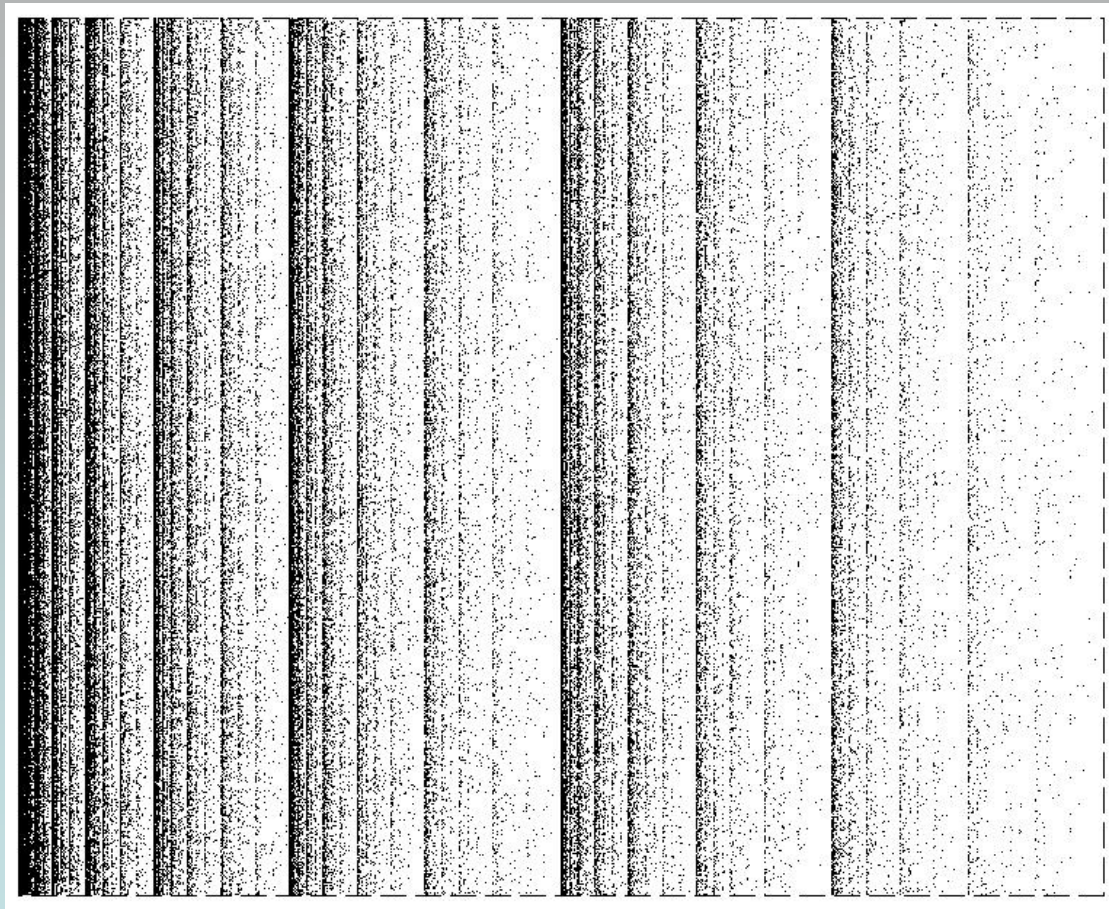


21 or 24 or 31 or 34



1

3



4

2



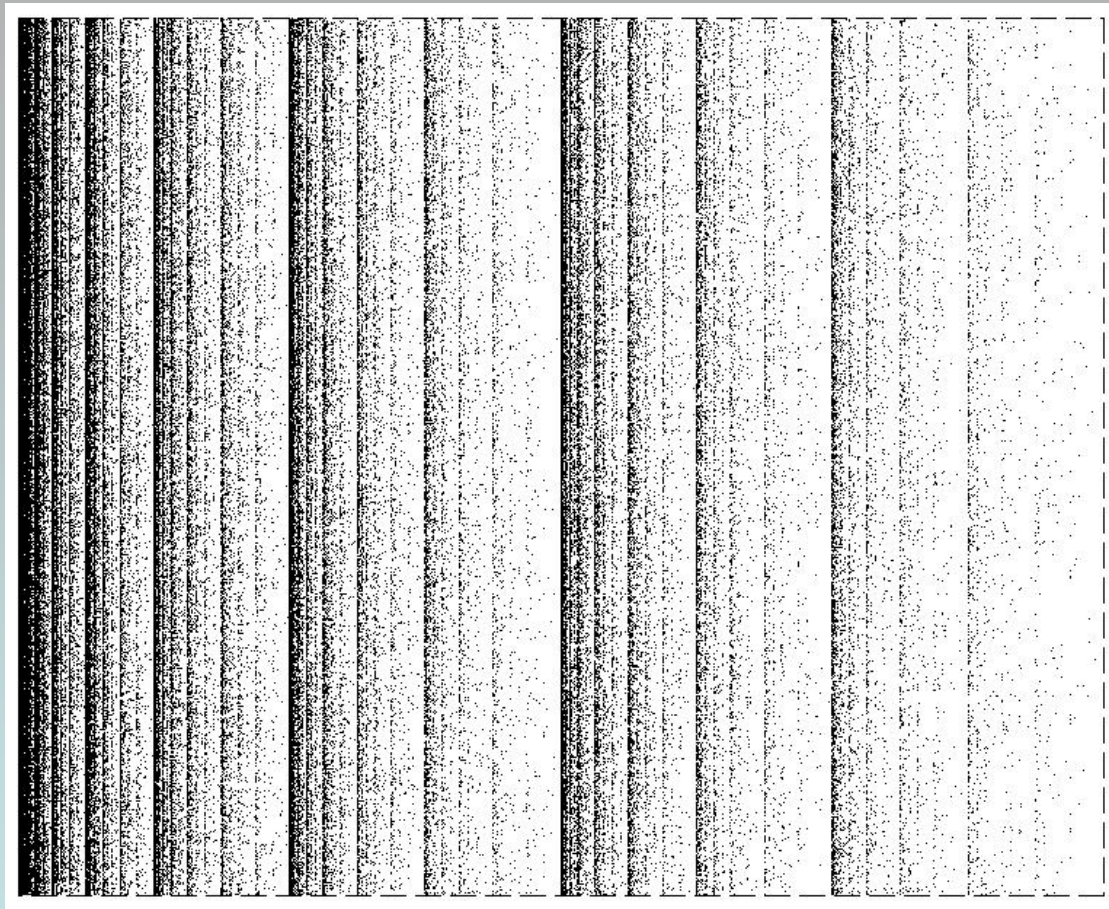
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21 or 24 or 31 or 34



1

3



4

2



1/8

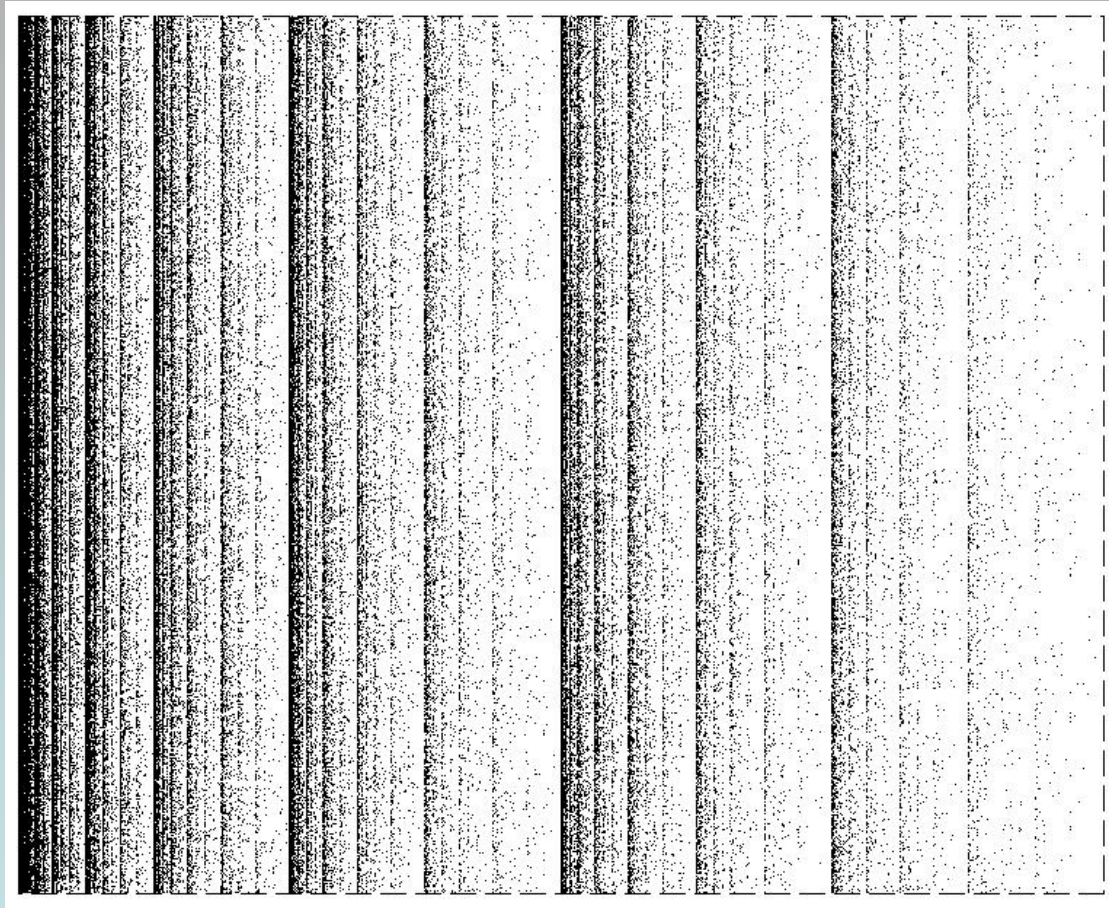


211 or 214 or 241 or 244 or . . .



1

3



4

2



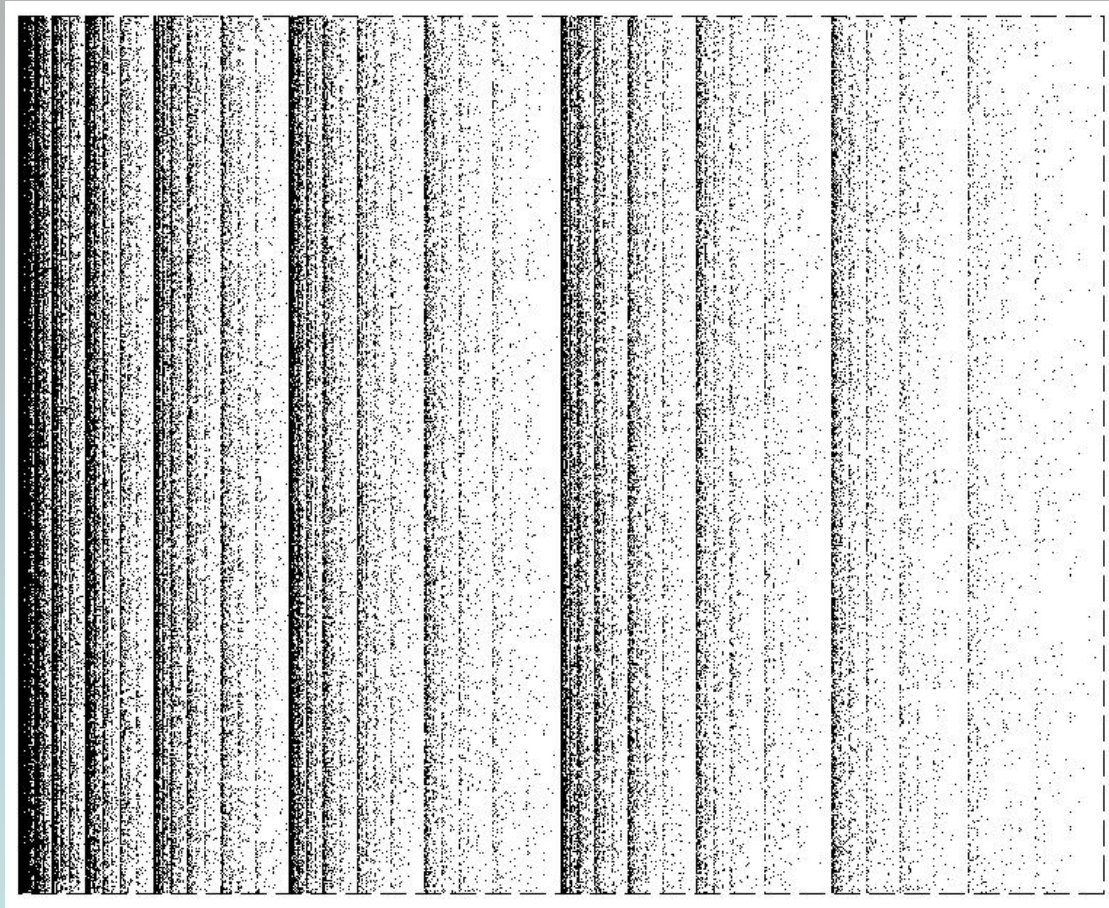
$1/8$

211 or 214 or 241 or 244 or . . .



1

3



4

2



$1/8$



$9/16$

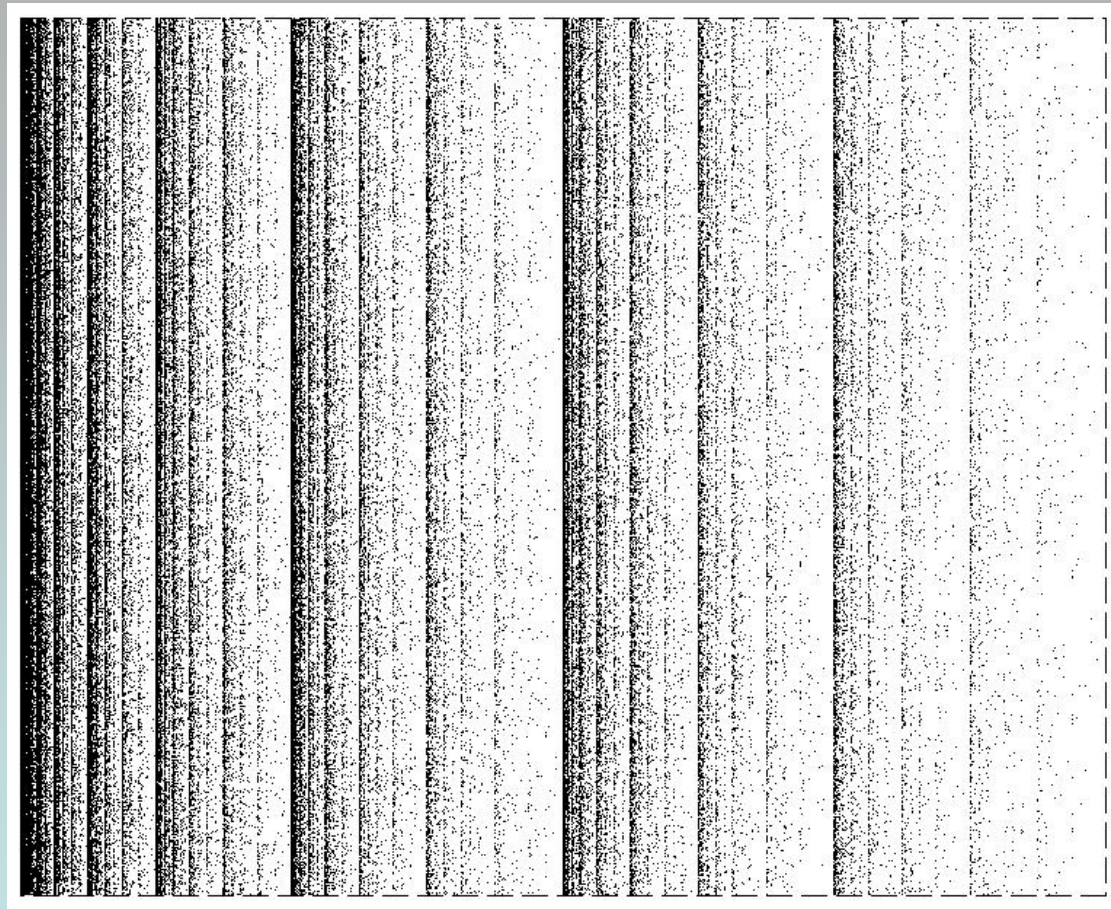


211 or 214 or 241 or 244 or . . .



1

3



4

2

↑  
1/8

↑  
9/16

2113, 2112, 2143, 2144, . . .

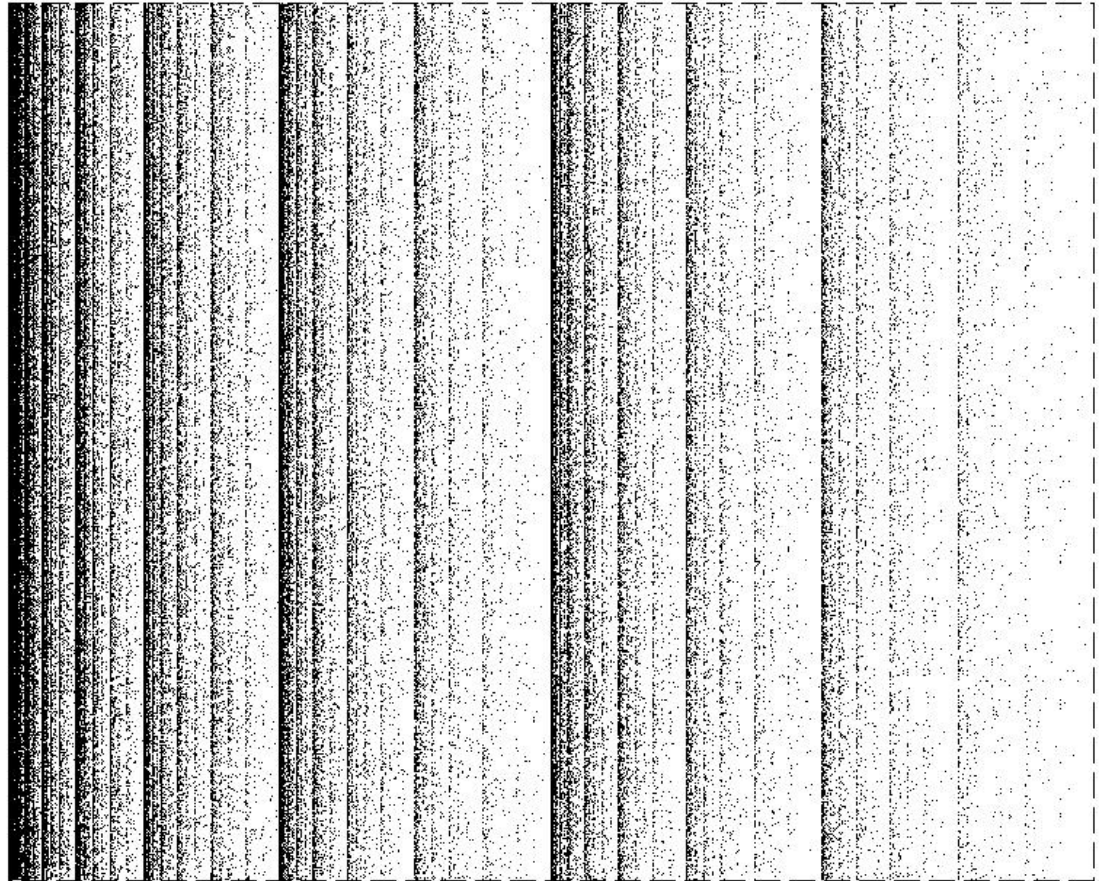


Why so few points in this region?



1

3



4

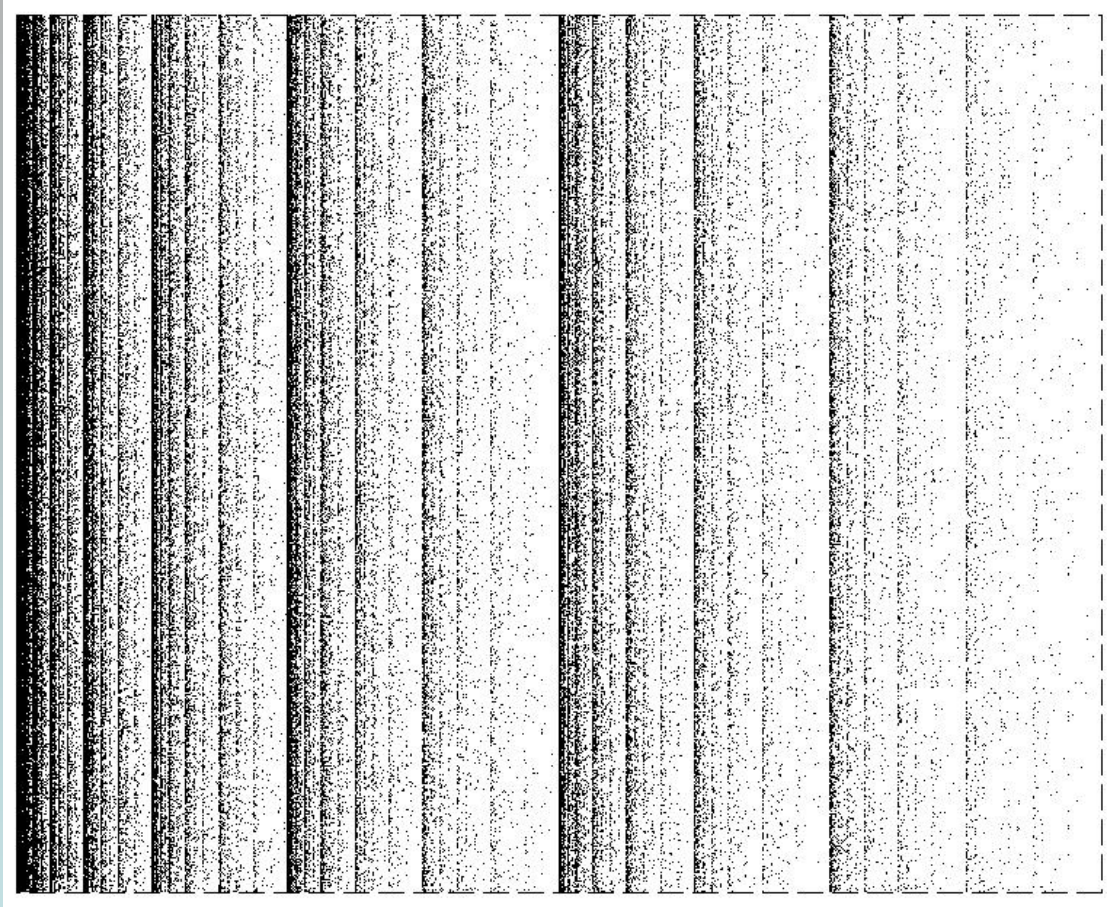
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Why so few points in this region?



1

3



4

2



Because points must first go all the way here before going back.



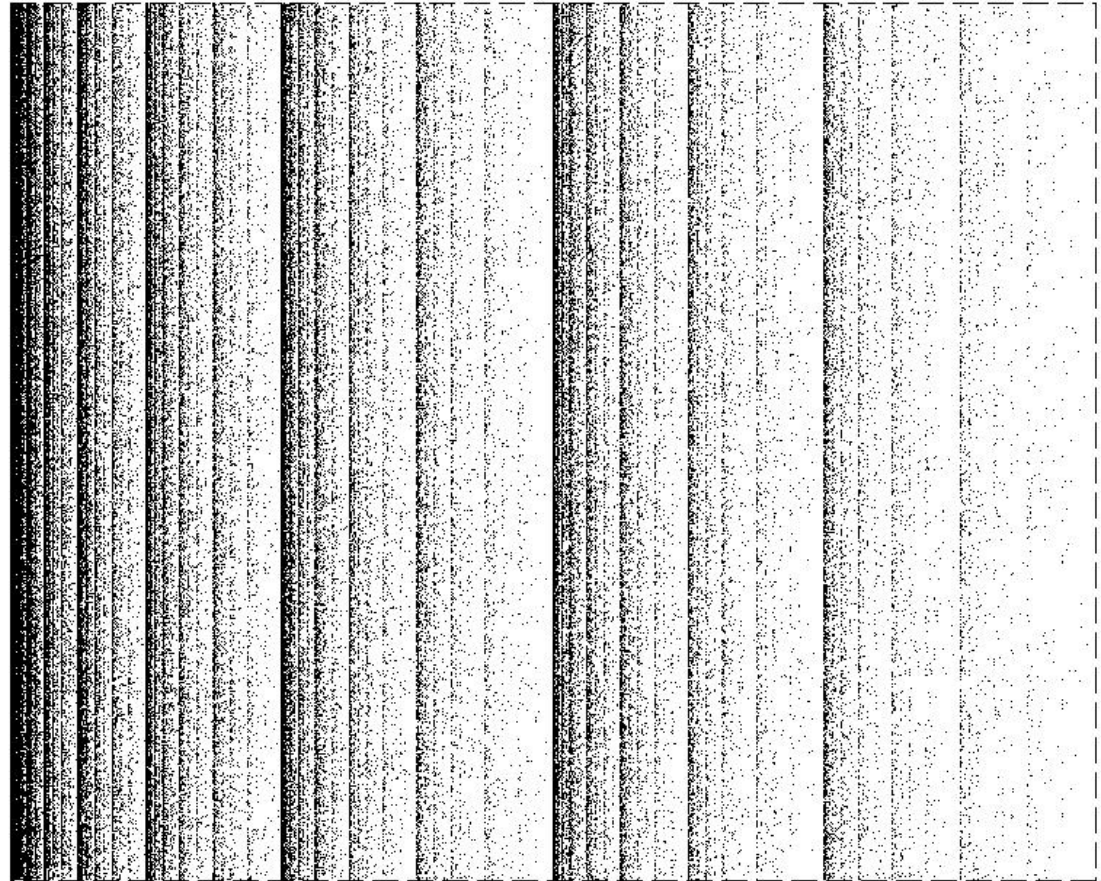
We can estimate the relative intensities of the lines

$P=0.4$

1

3

$P=0.1$



$P=0.4$

4

2

$P=0.1$

Assume a line of initial game points here

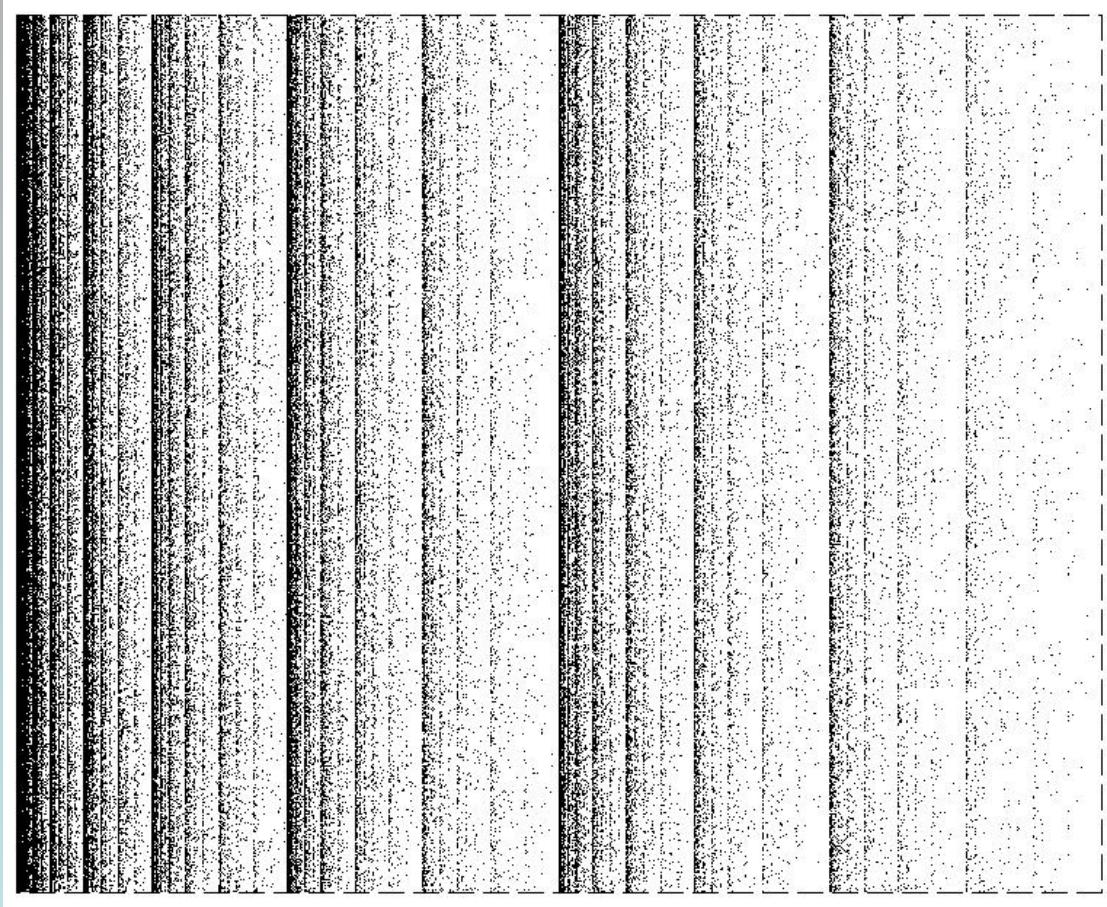


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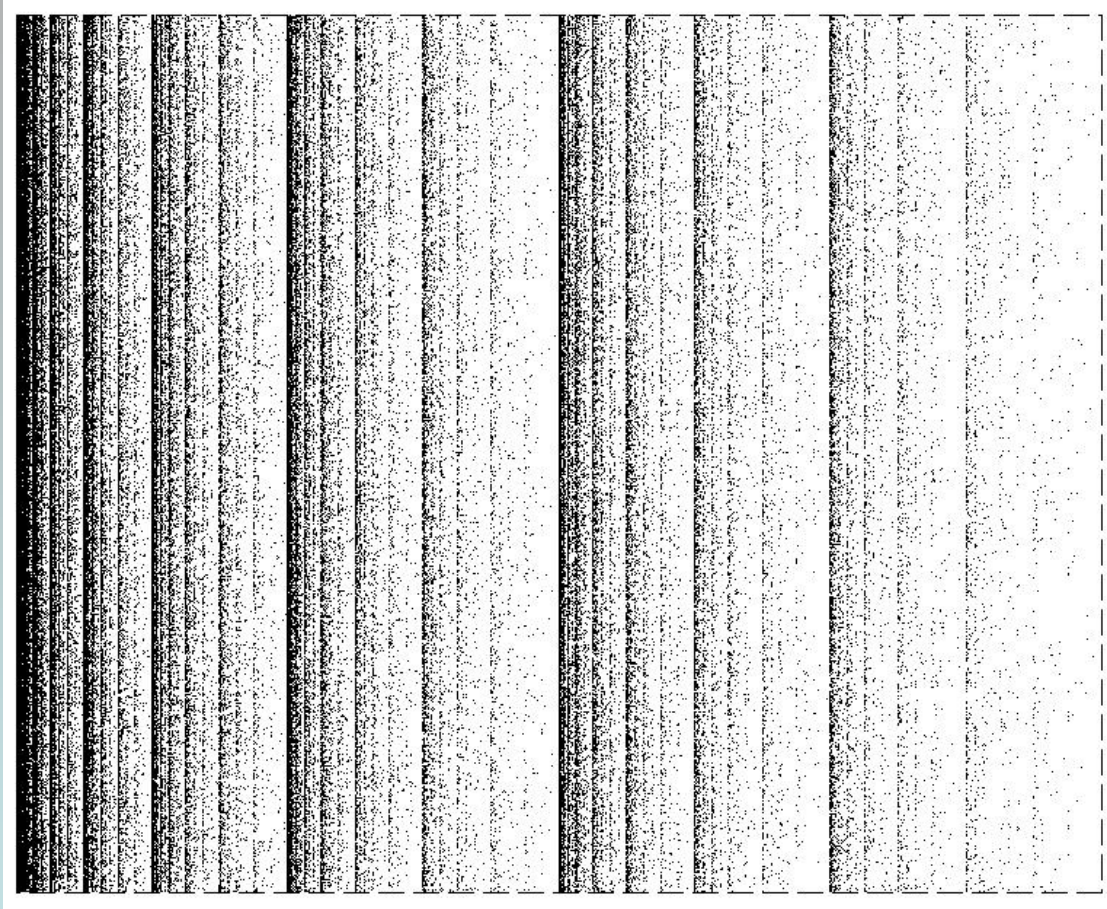


$P=0.4$

1

3

$P=0.1$



$P=0.4$

4

2

$P=0.1$

Then we play the chaos game for *each* of these points.

Game sequence: 2 or 3

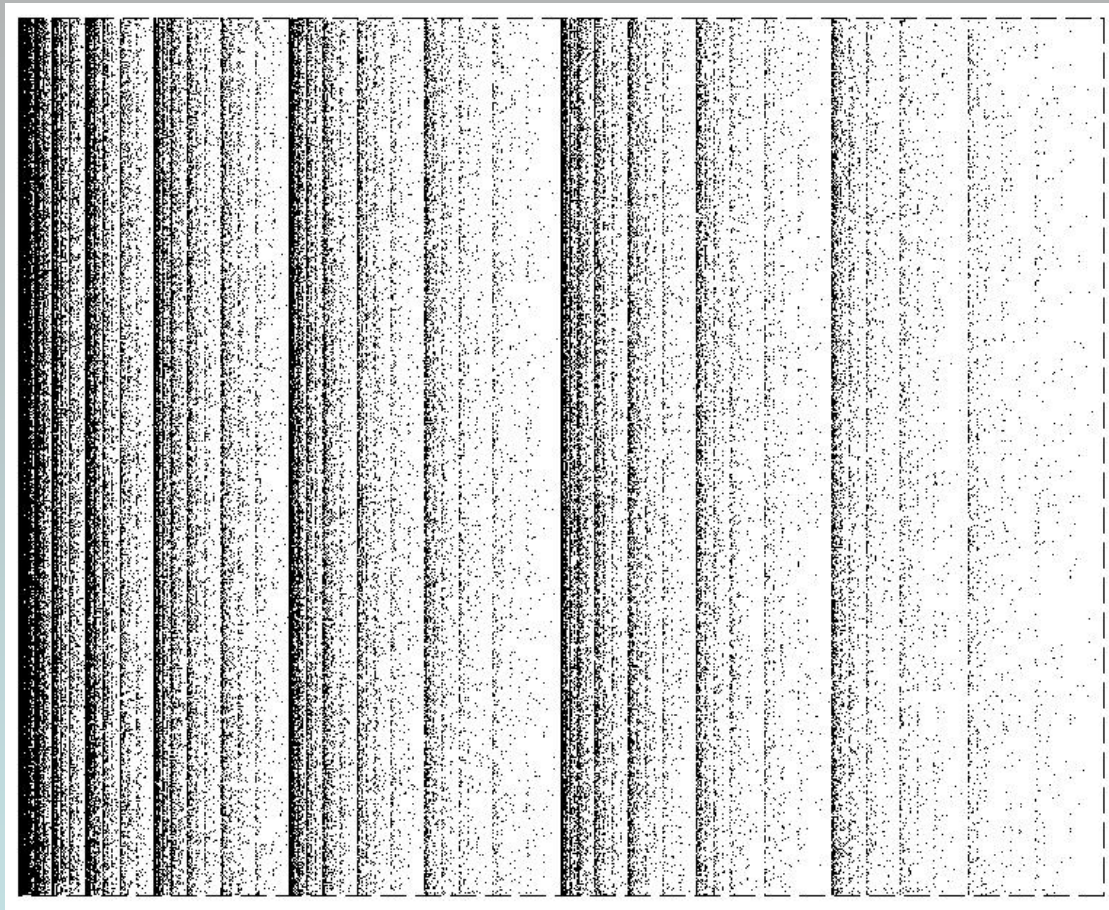


$P=0.4$

1

3

$P=0.1$



$P=0.4$

4

2

$P=0.1$



$P = 0.1+0.1=0.2$



Game sequence: 2 or 3

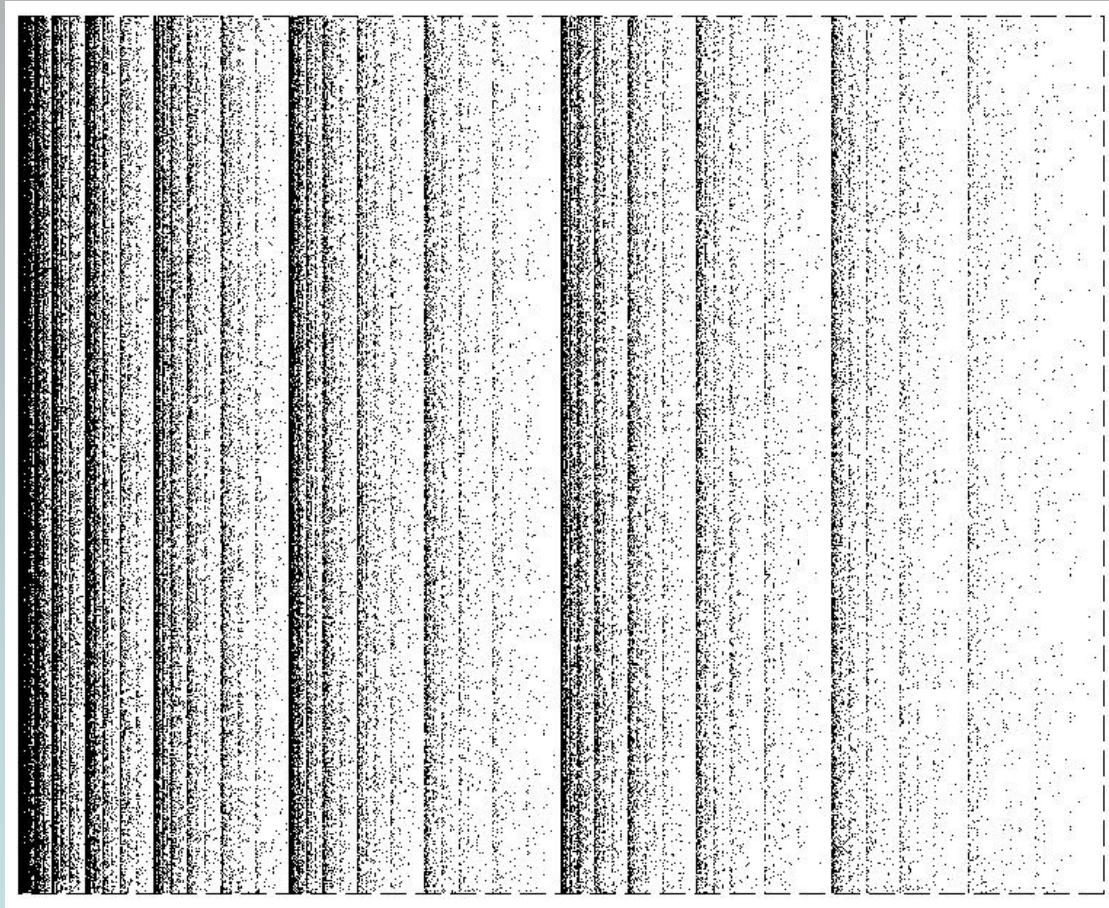


P=0.4

1

3

P=0.1



P=0.4

4

2

P=0.1



$$P = 0.1 + 0.1 = 0.2$$

This line is (approximately) 20% as dark as the initial line

22 or 33 or 23 or 32

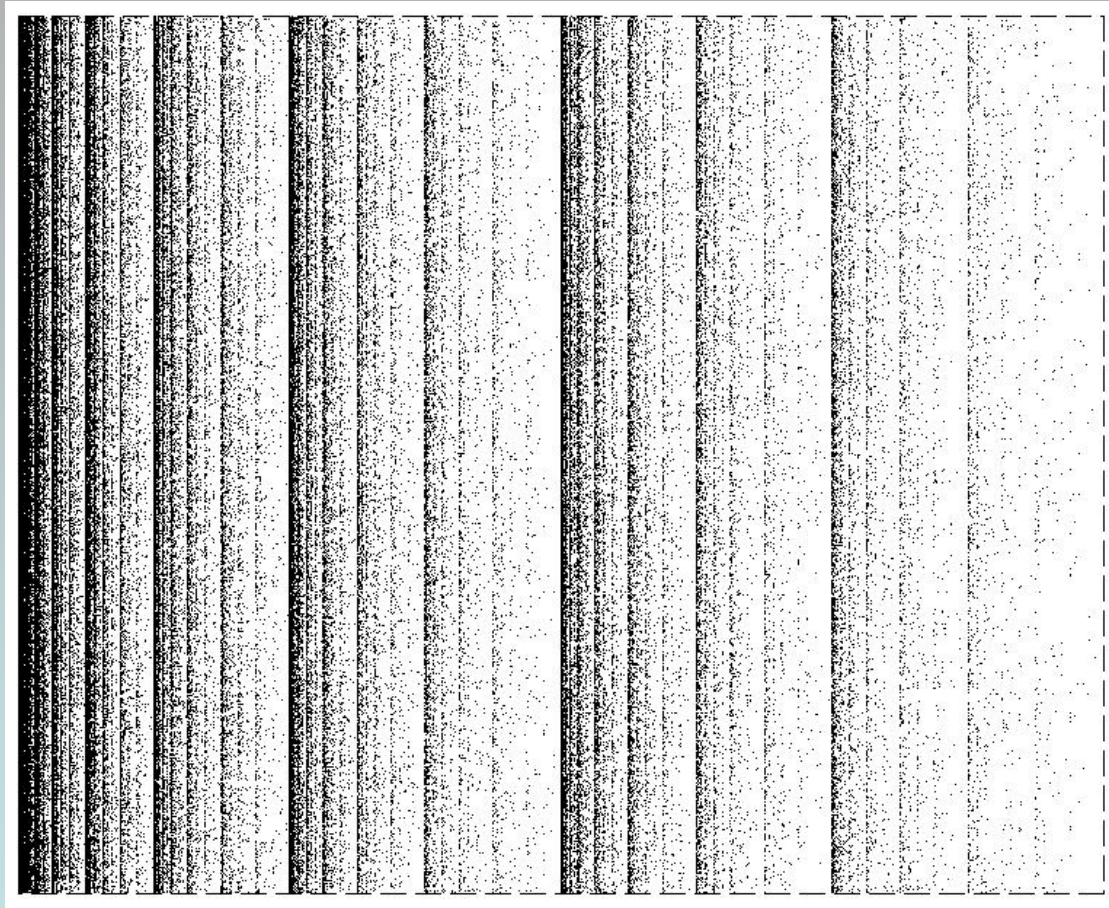


P=0.4

1

3

P=0.1



P=0.4

4

2

P=0.1



$$P = 4 (0.1) * (0.1) = 0.04$$



21 or 24 or 31 or 34

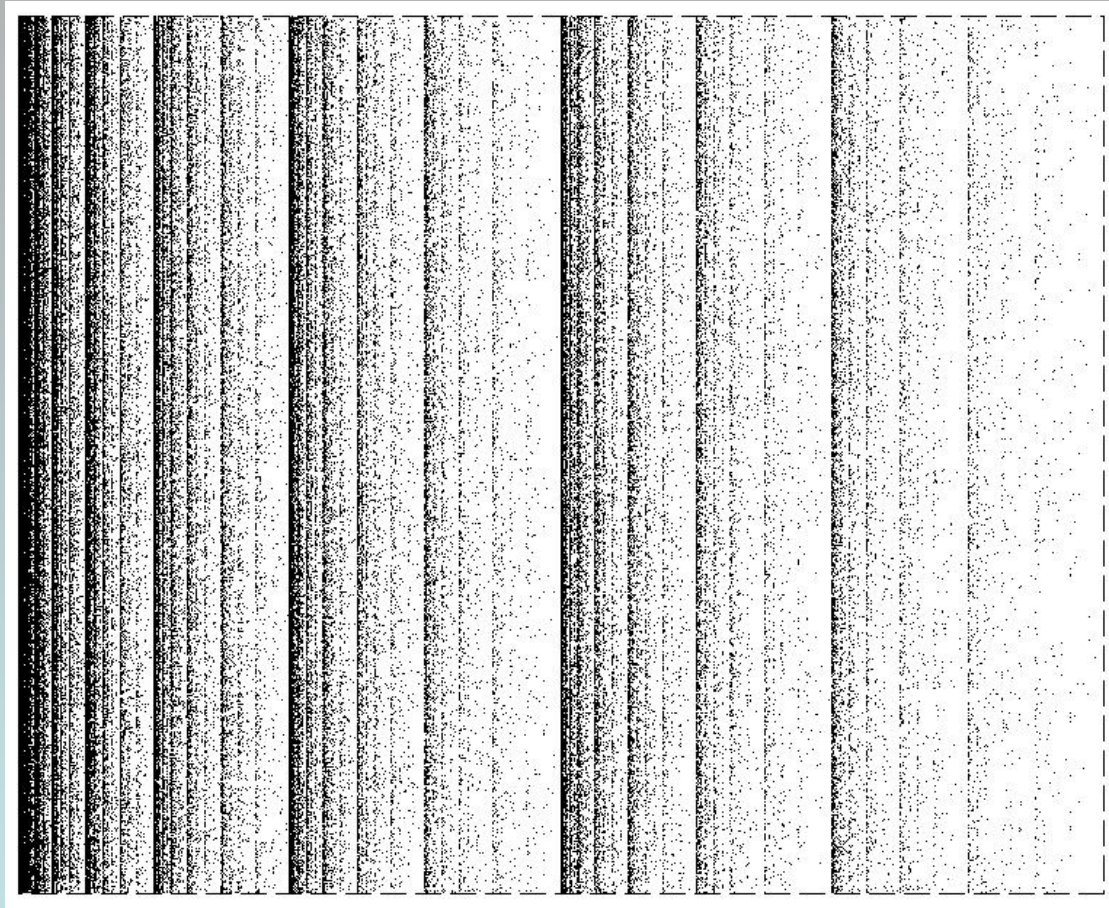


P=0.4

1

3

P=0.1



P=0.4

4

2

P=0.1



$$P = 4 (0.1) * (0.4) = 0.16$$

# Unequal probabilities (again);

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4

3

1

2

4

3

2

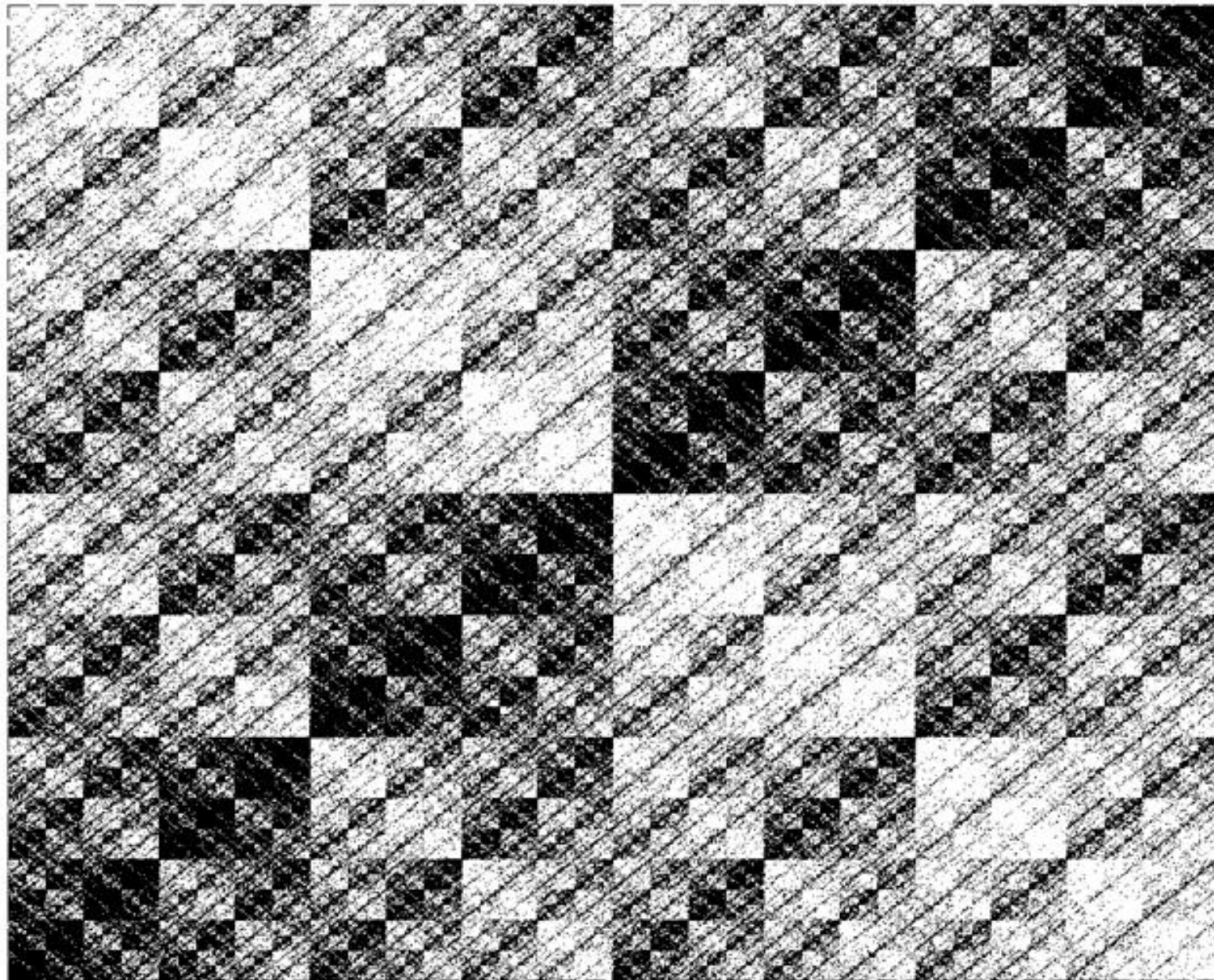
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4

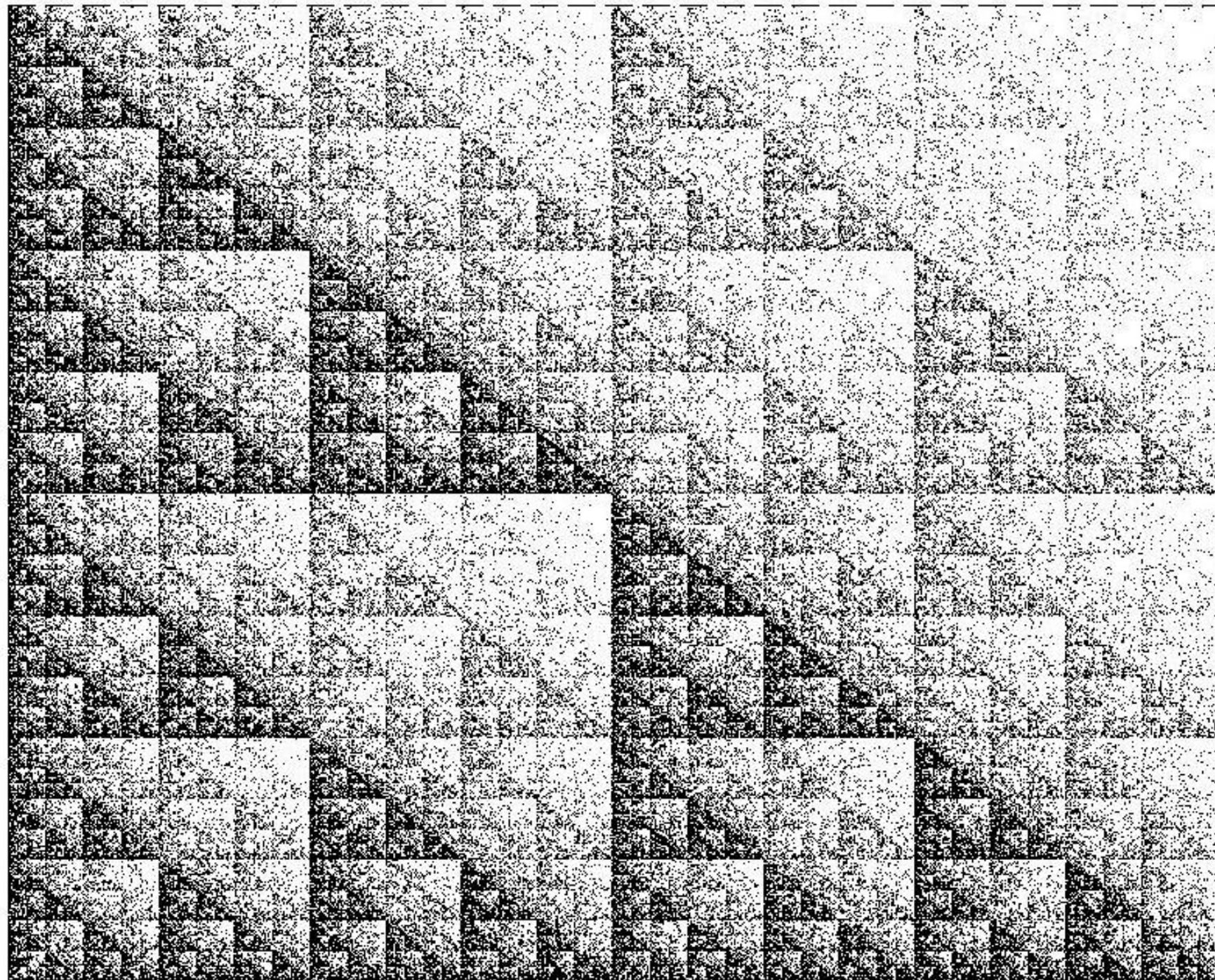
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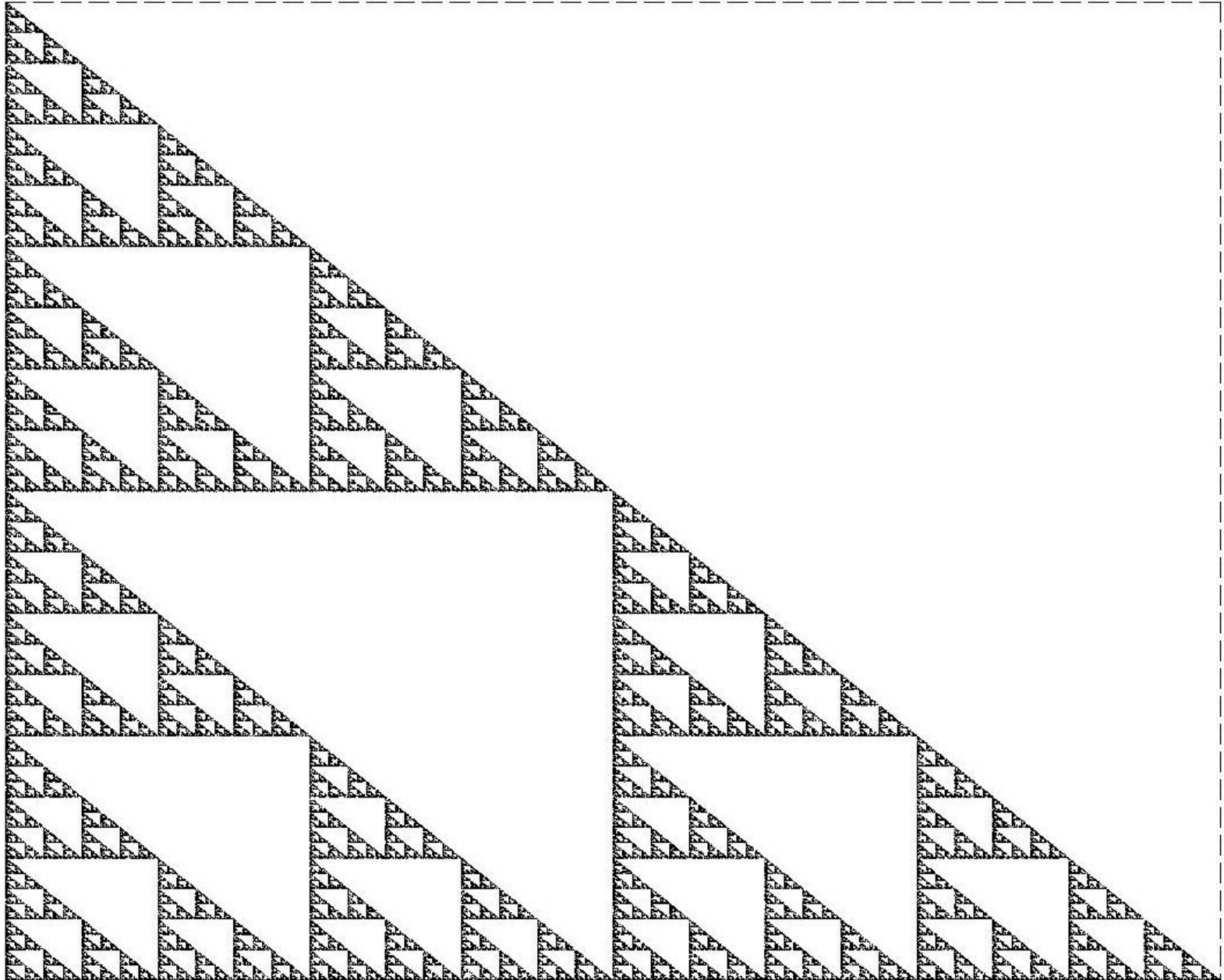
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Assign 0 probability to 3



# Using other sequences for the chaos game

- random sequences
- non-random, 'naïve' sequences
- the 'best' sequences

What is the shortest game sequence needed to draw the fractal?

That is, what is the most *efficient* game sequence?

# Naïve sequence for Sierpinski (all addresses of length 3)

11111211312112212313113213321121221322122222323...

Addresses of game points ( \* are redundant!);

1 . .	131	132	233	*231	232	333	*331	*332
11 .	213	313	*123	223	323	133	*233	*333
111	*121	*131	*112	*122	*132	*113	*123	*133
*111	*112	113	*211	*212	*213	*311	*312	*313
*111	*211	*311	*121	*221	*321	*131	*231	*331
211	221	231	*212	222	*232	*213	*223	*233
121	122	123	*221	*222	*223	*321	*322	*323
112	212	312	*122	*222	*322	*132	*232	*332
311	321	331	*312	322	332	*313	*323	*333

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*111	*112	113	*211	*212	*213	*311	*312	*313
*111	*211	*311	*121	*221	*321	*131	*231	*331
211	221	231	*212	222	*232	*213	*223	*233
121	122	123	*221	*222	*223	*321	*322	*323
112	212	312	*122	*222	*322	*132	*232	*332
311	321	331	*312	322	332	*313	*323	*333

Left with the 27 distinct addresses of length 3.



1 . .	131	132	233	*231	232	333	*331	*332
11 .	213	313	*123	223	323	133	*233	*333
111	*121	*131	*112	*122	*132	*113	*123	*133
*111	*112	113	*211	*212	*213	*311	*312	*313
*111	*211	*311	*121	*221	*321	*131	*231	*331
211	221	231	*212	222	*232	*213	*223	*233
121	122	123	*221	*222	*223	*321	*322	*323
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311	321	331	*312	322	332	*313	*323	*333

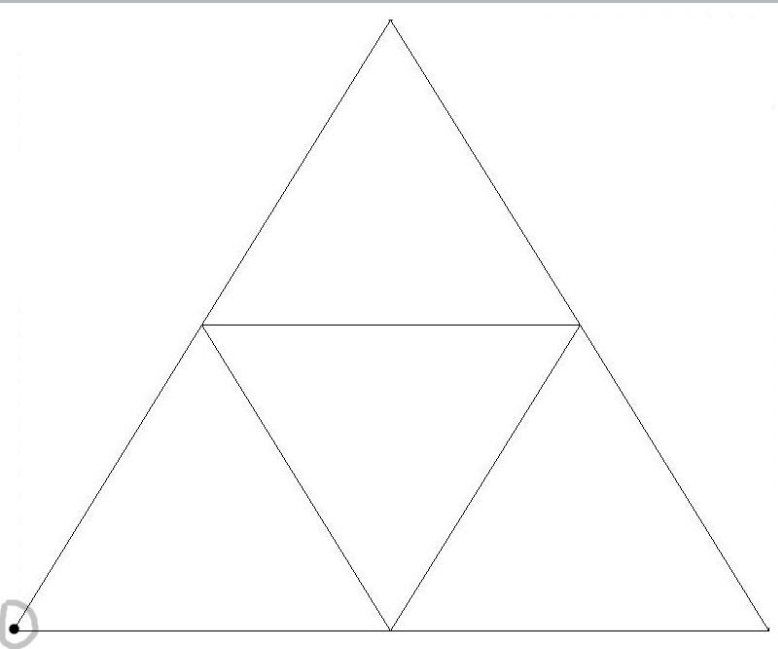
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The 'best' sequence;

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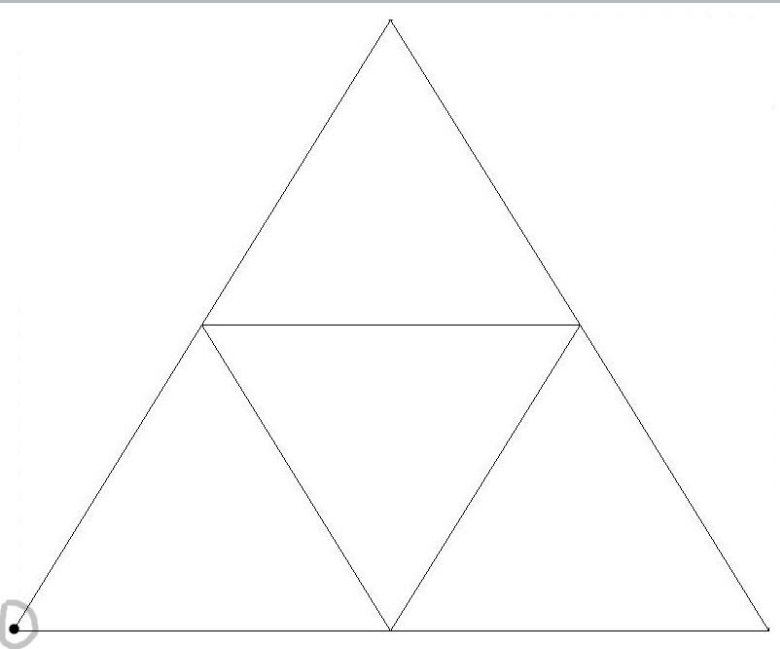
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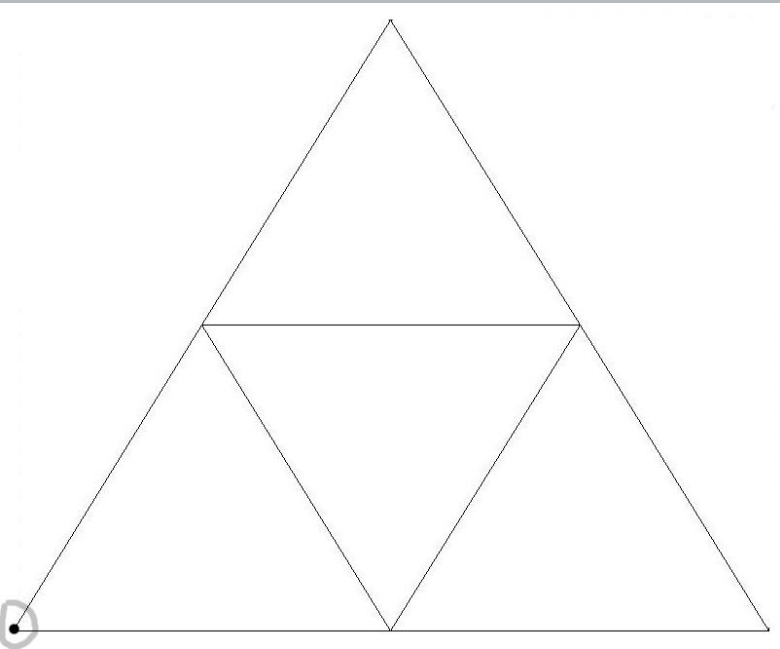
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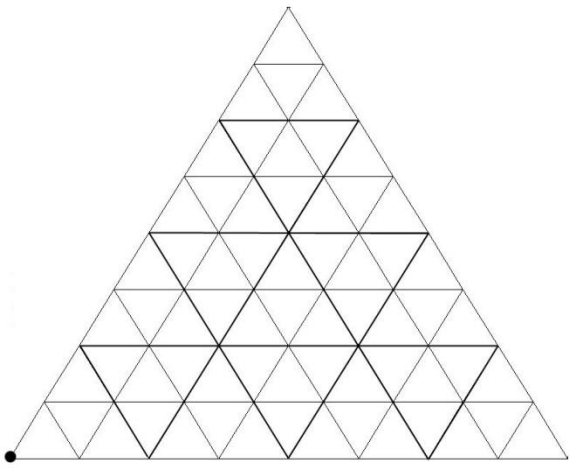


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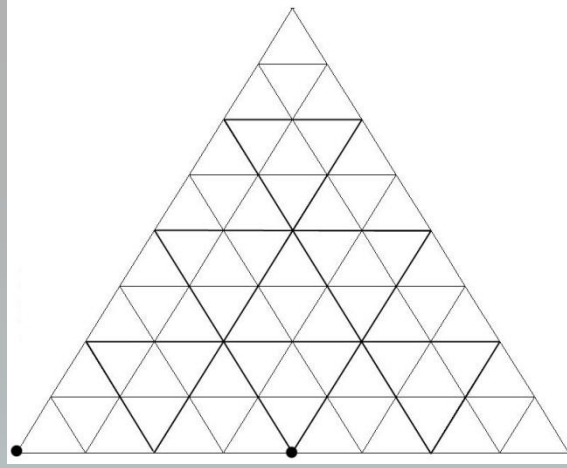
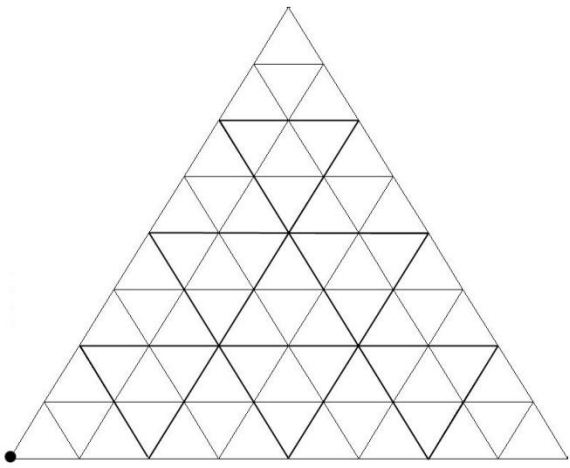
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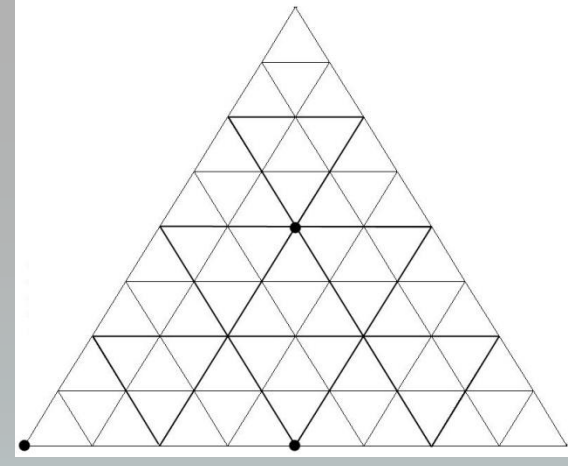
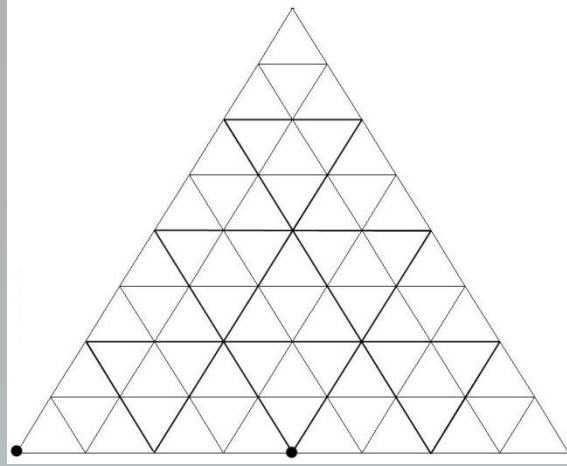
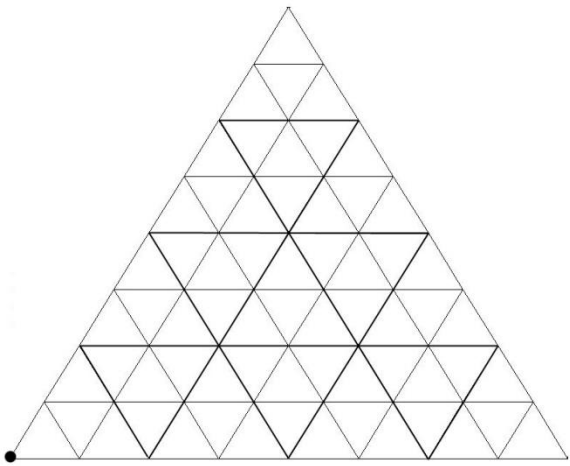
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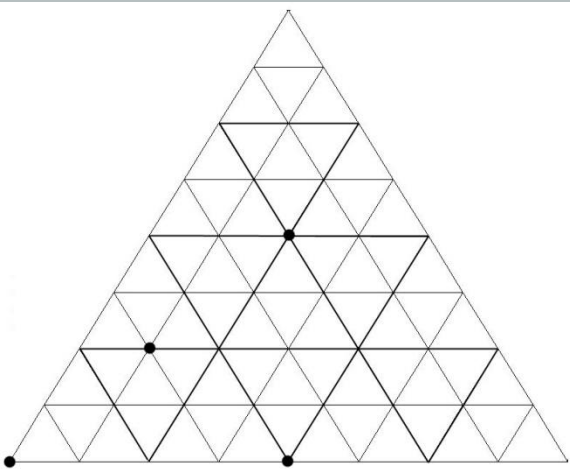
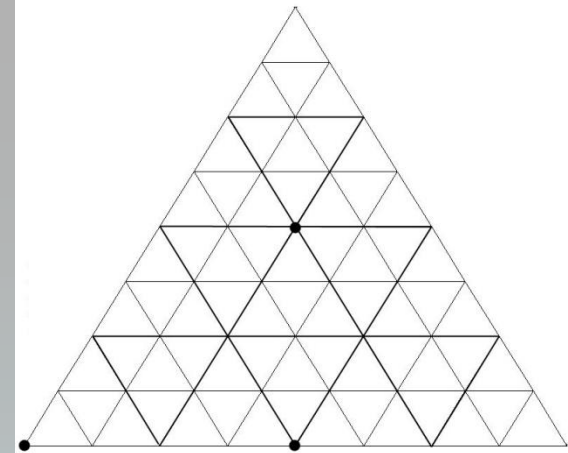
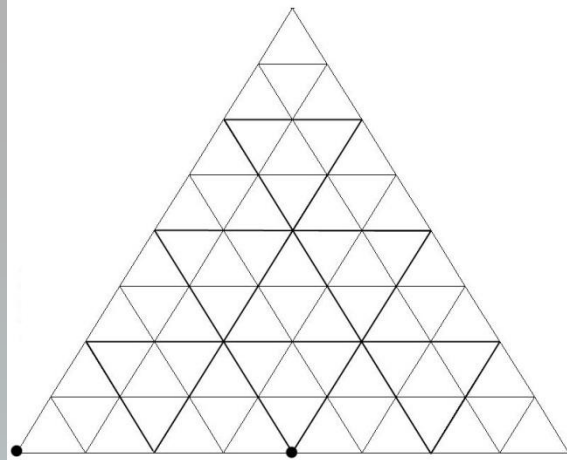
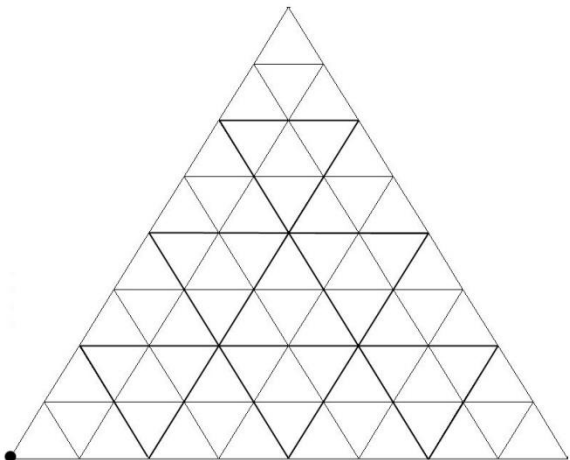
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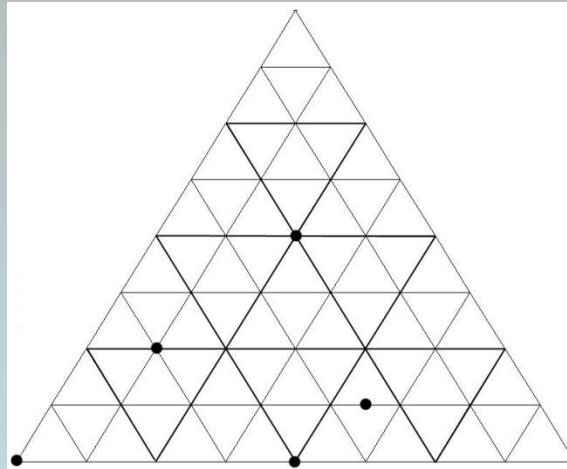
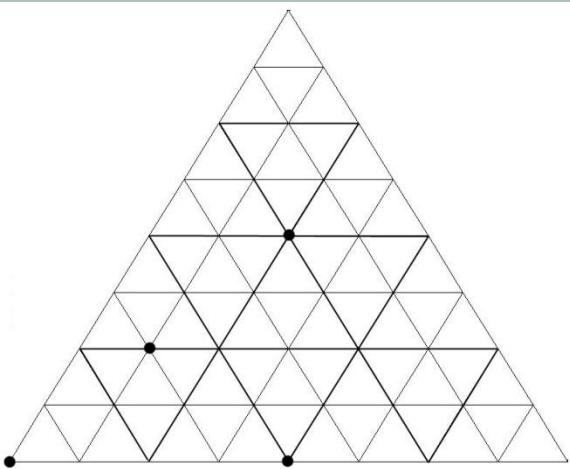
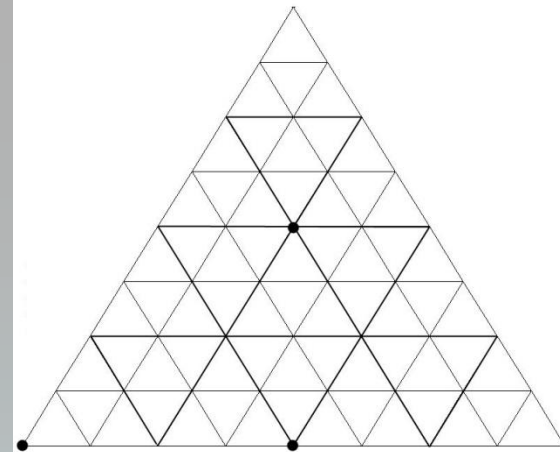
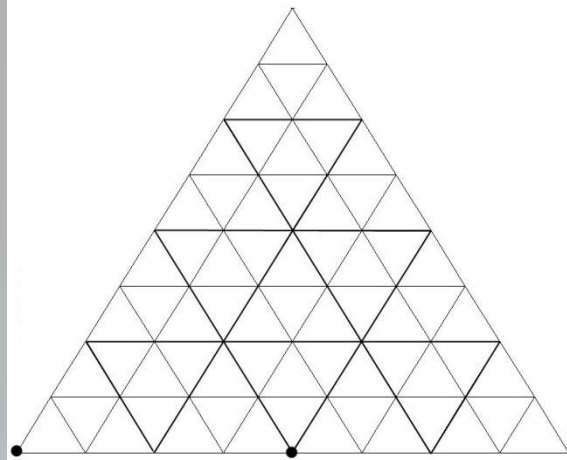
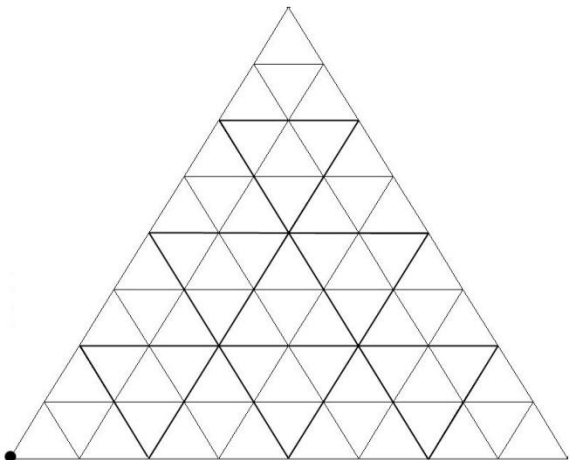


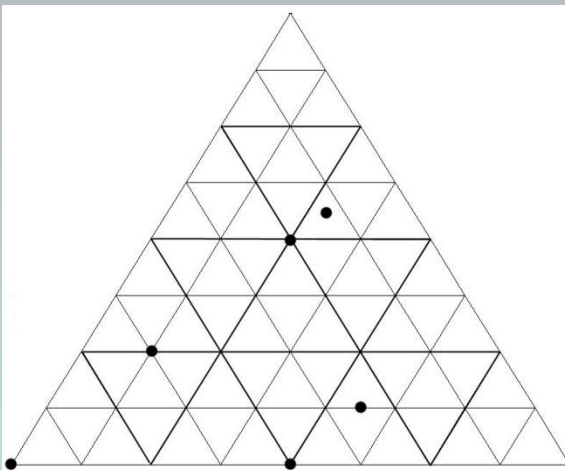
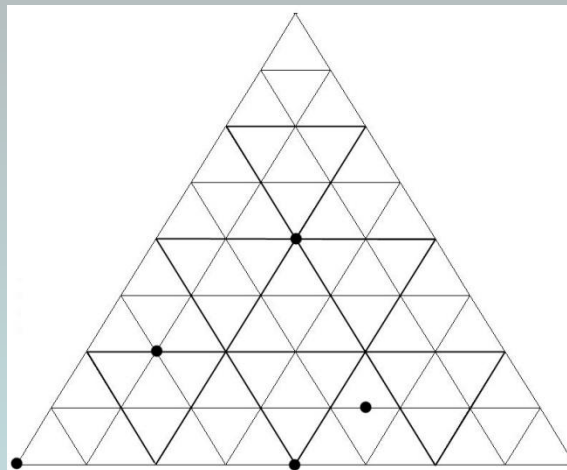
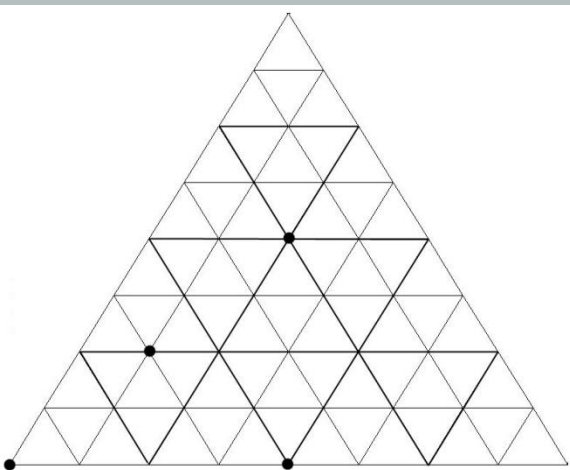
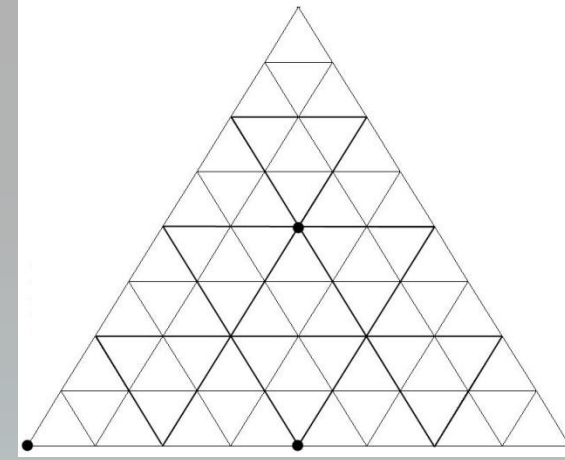
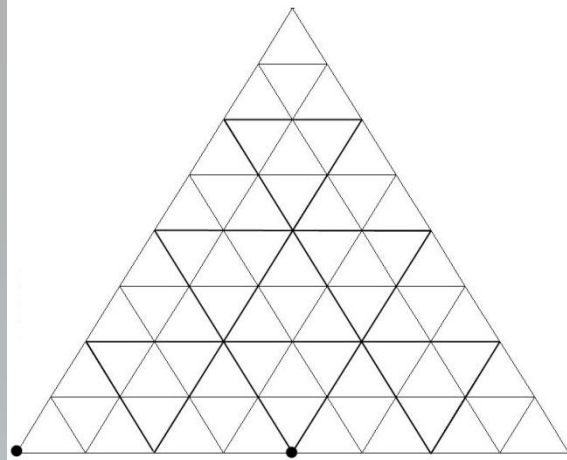
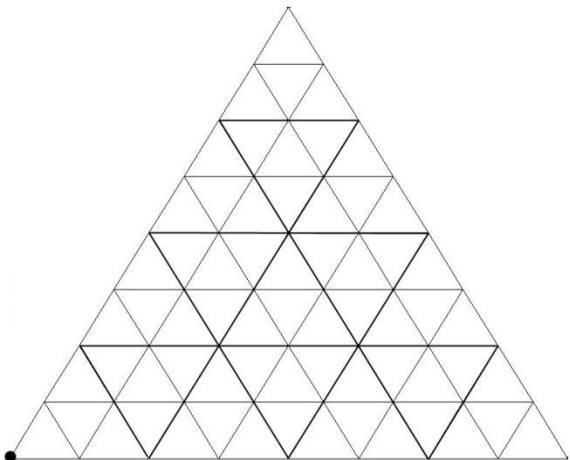


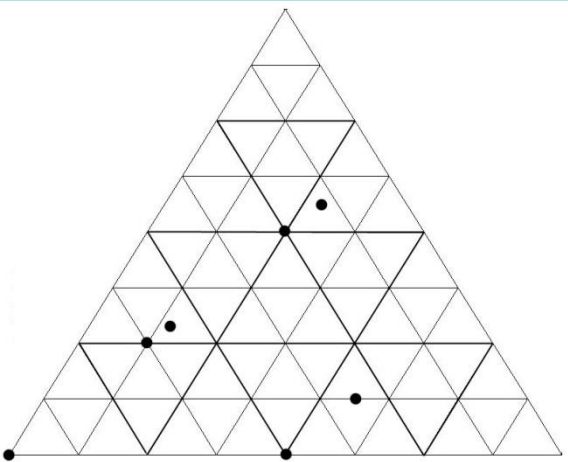
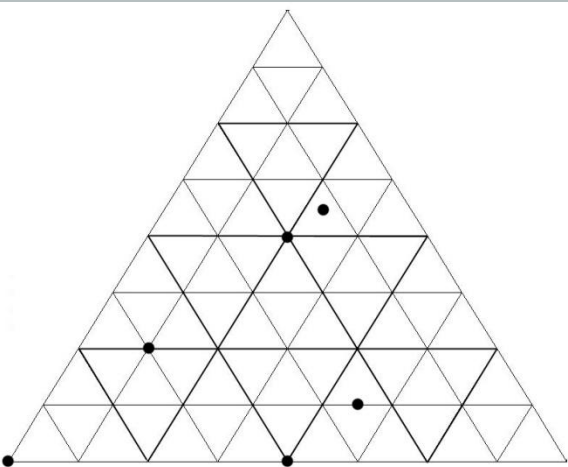
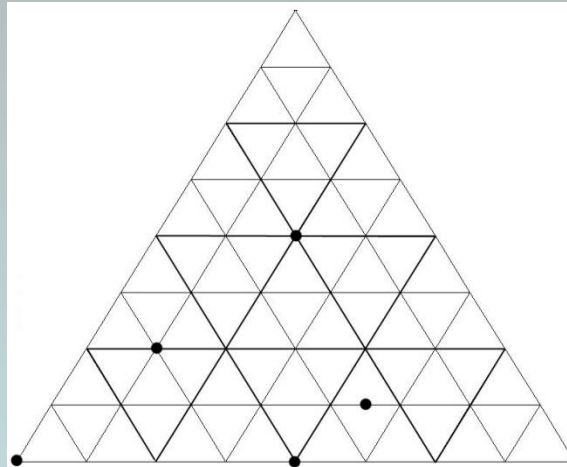
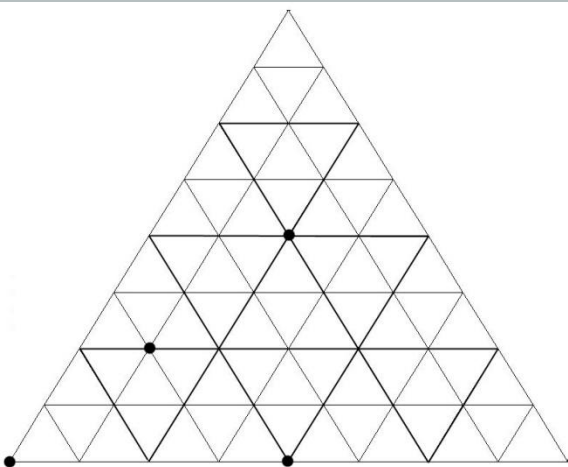
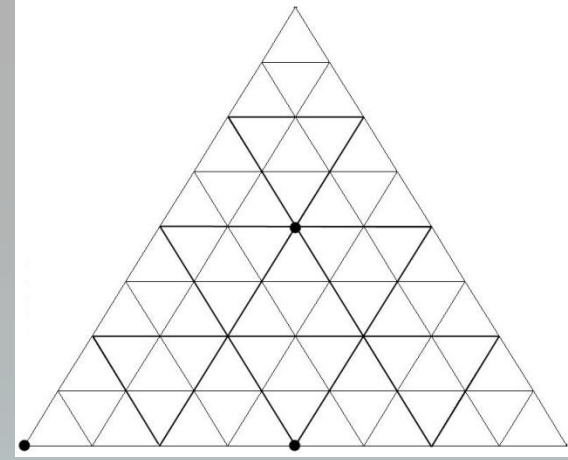
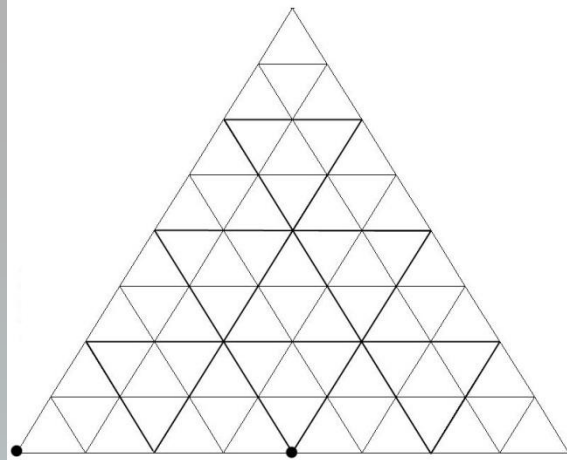
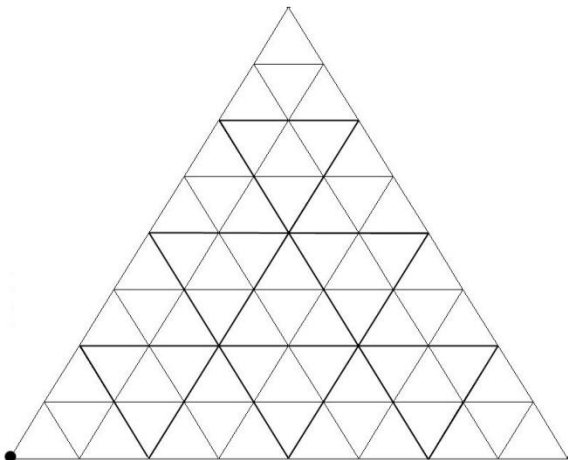




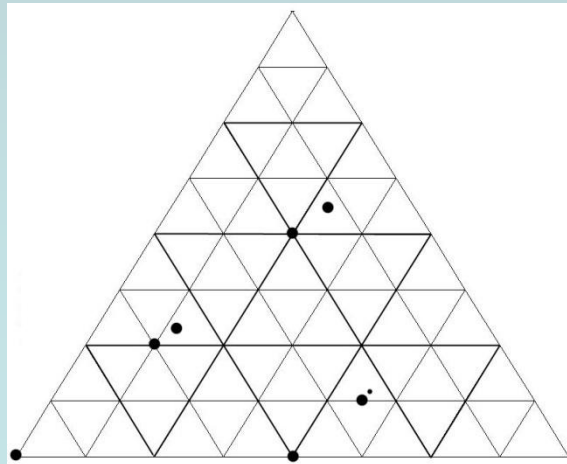
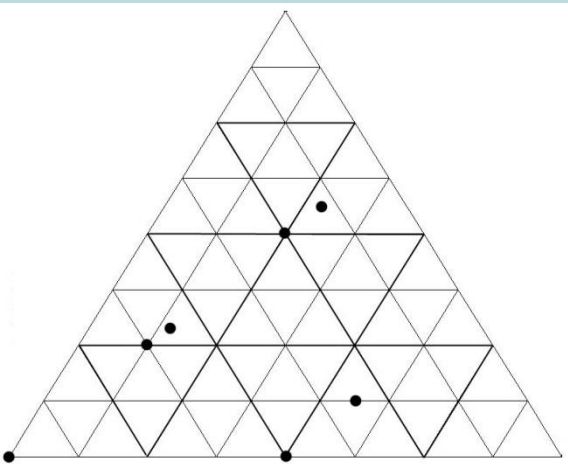
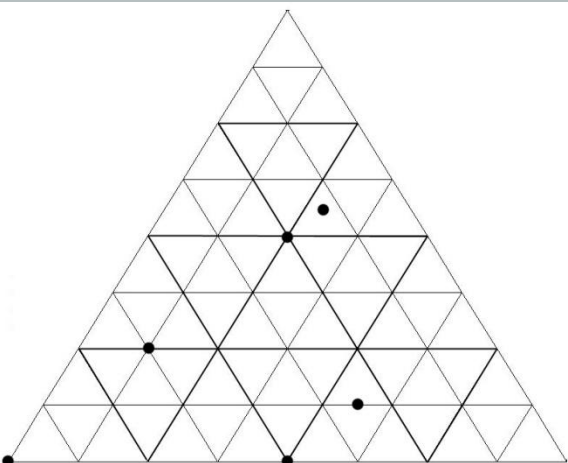
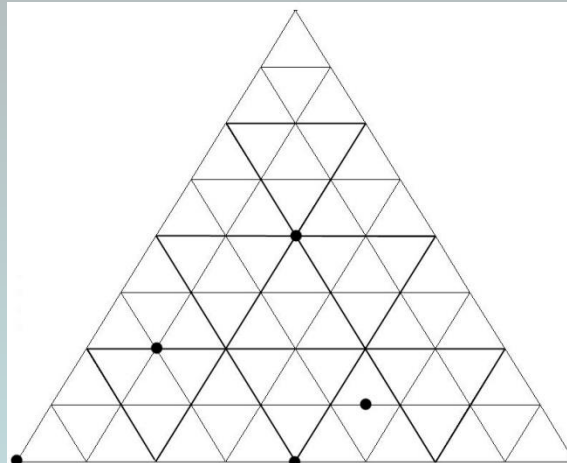
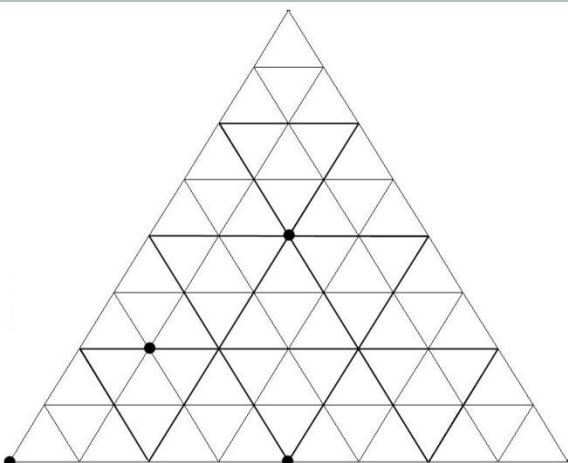
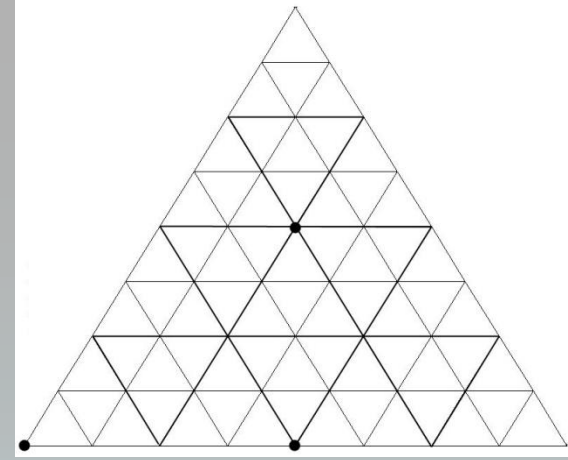
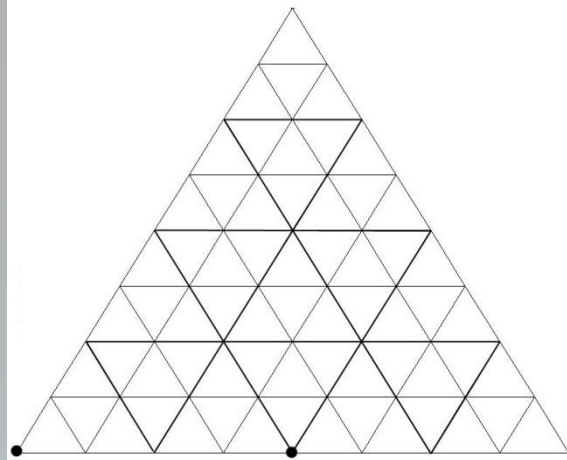
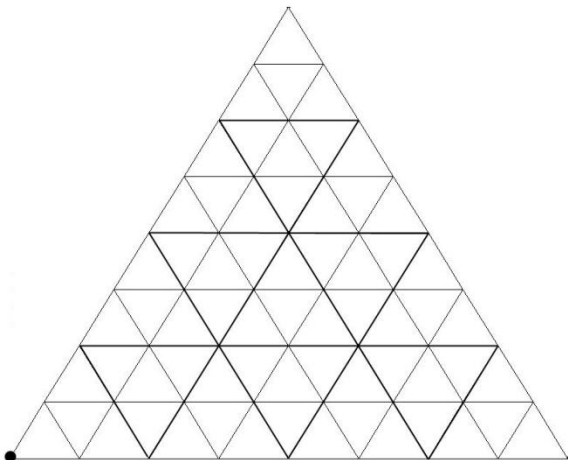


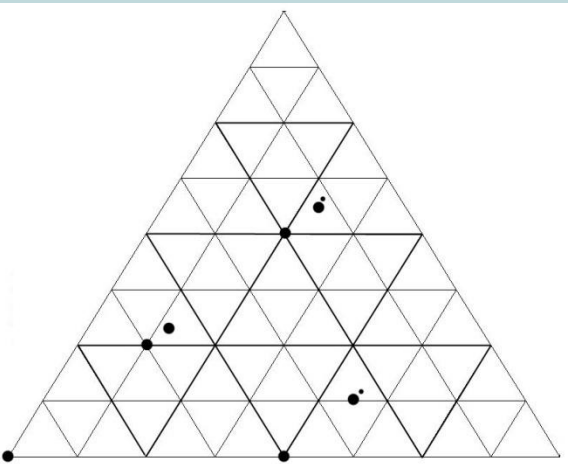
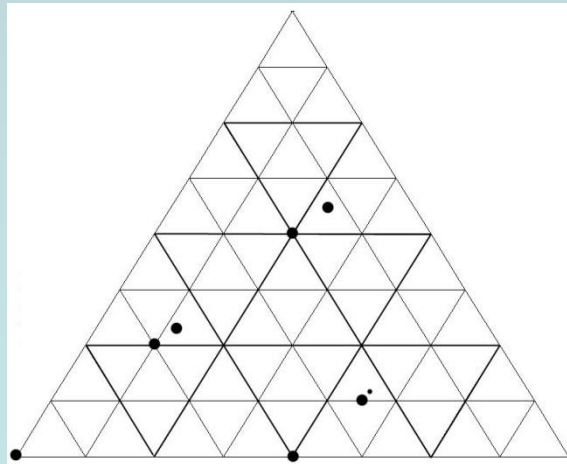
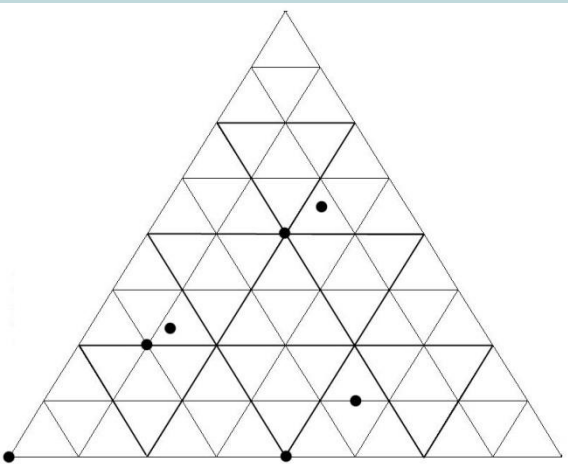
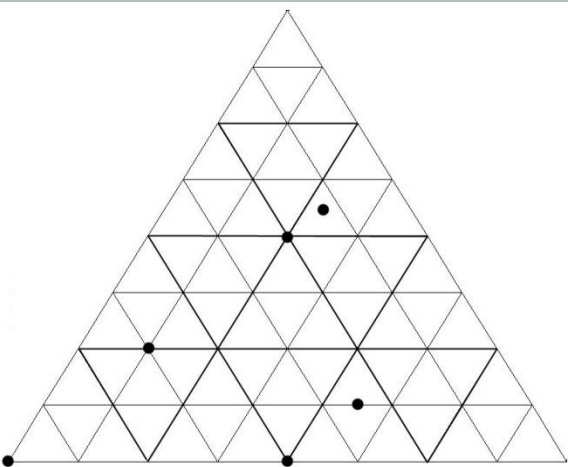
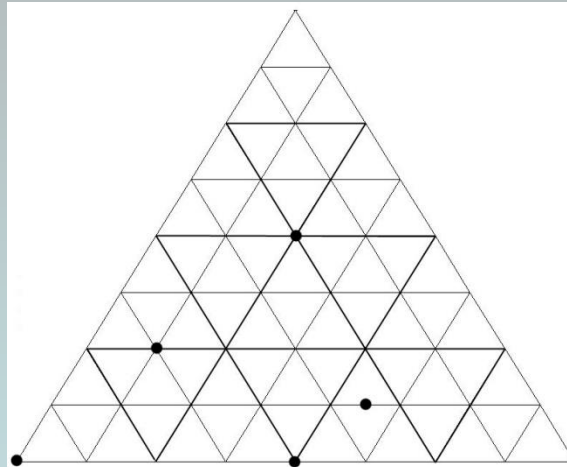
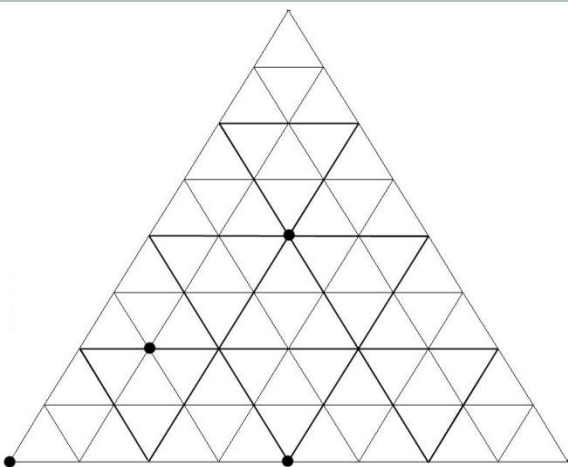
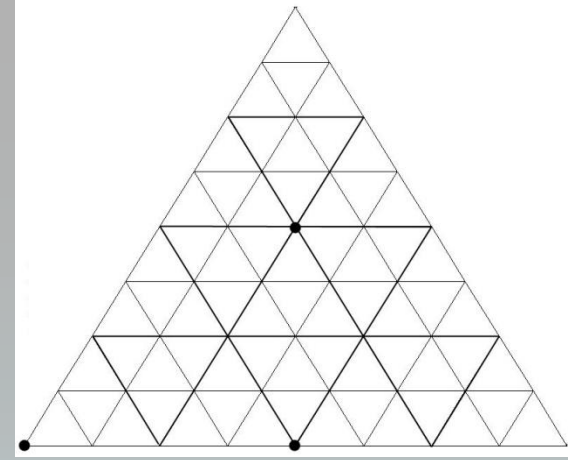
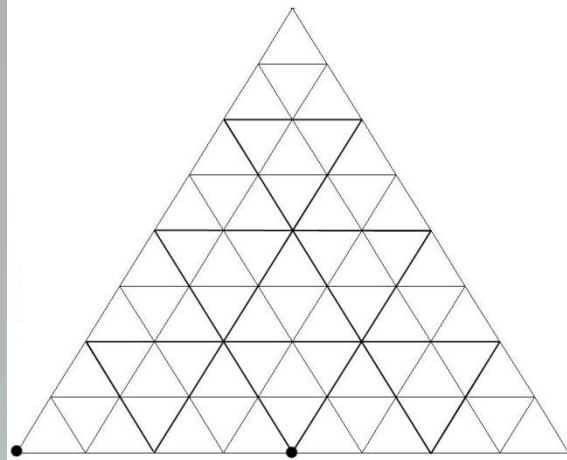
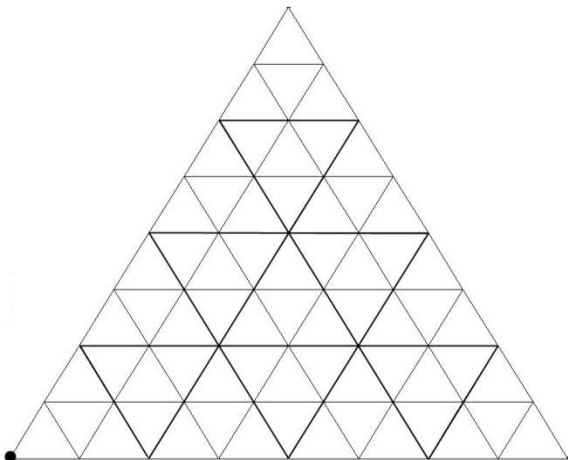


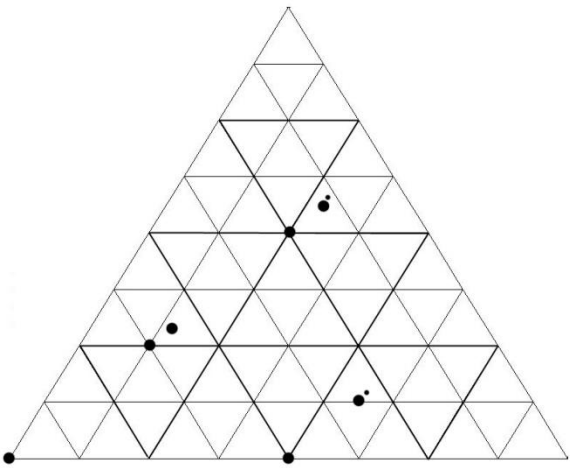


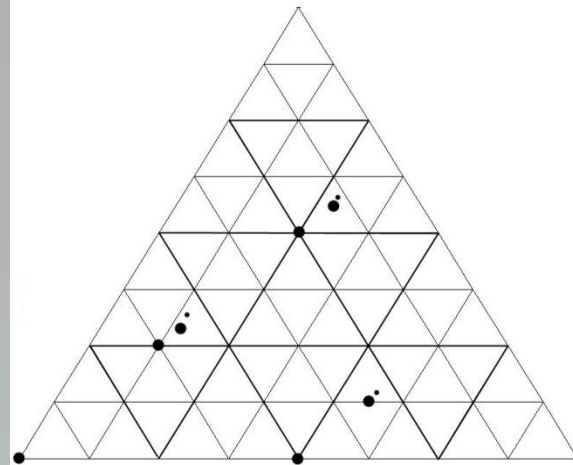
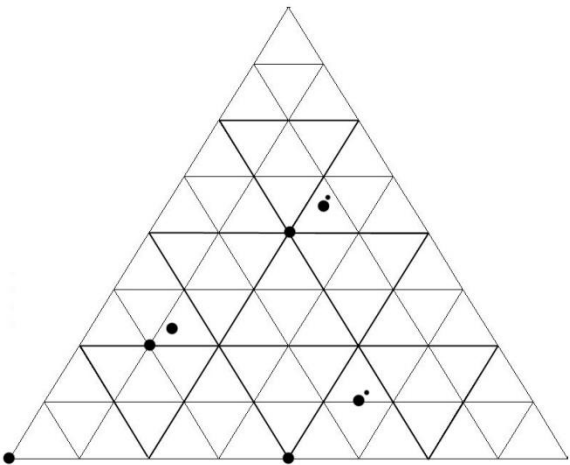


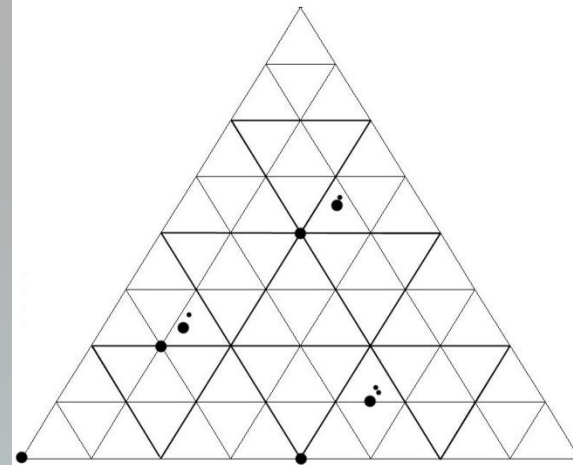
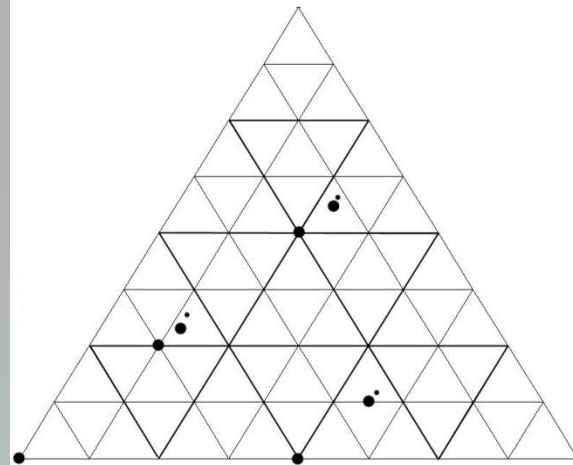
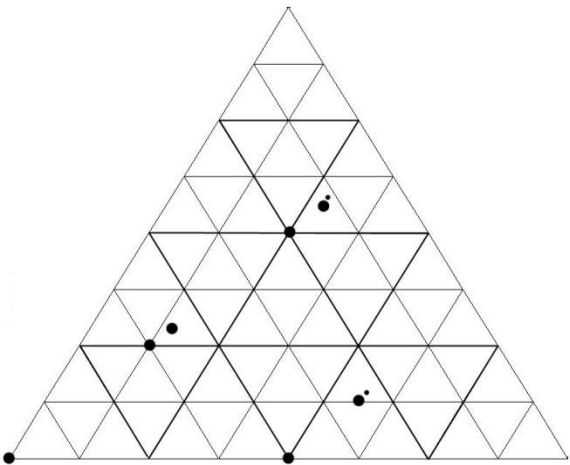


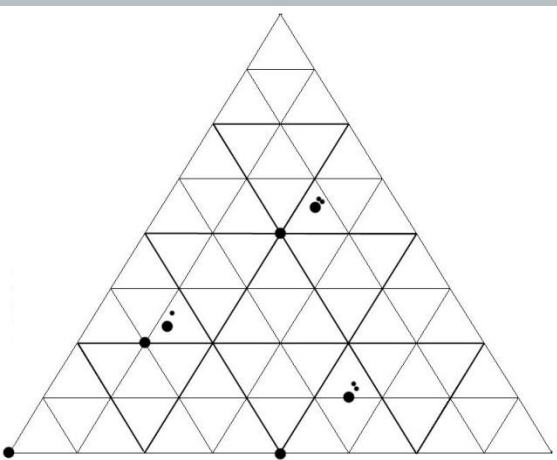
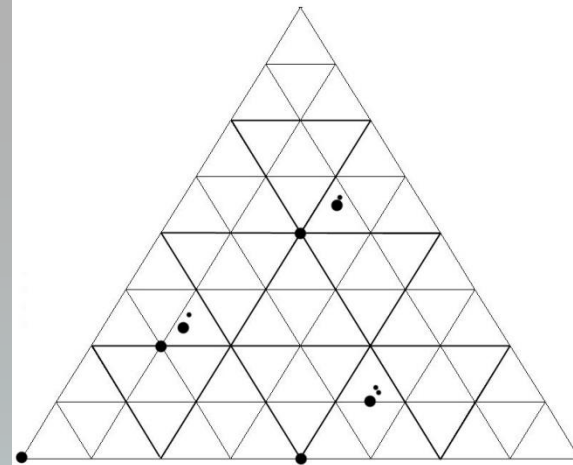
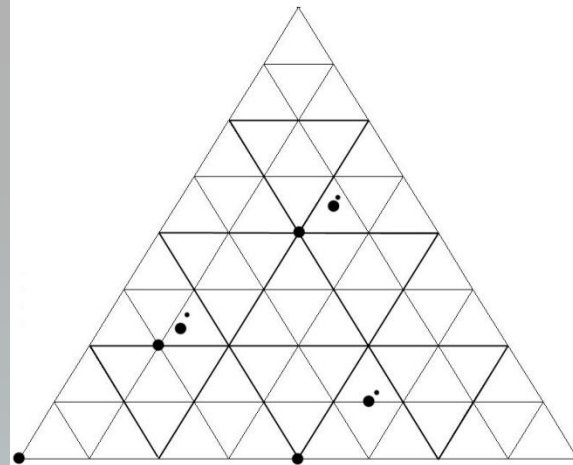
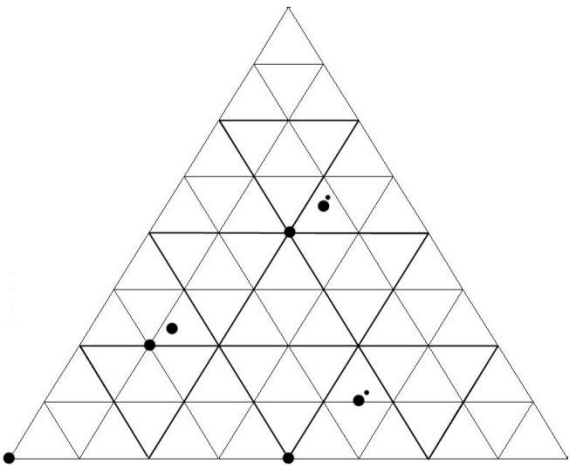




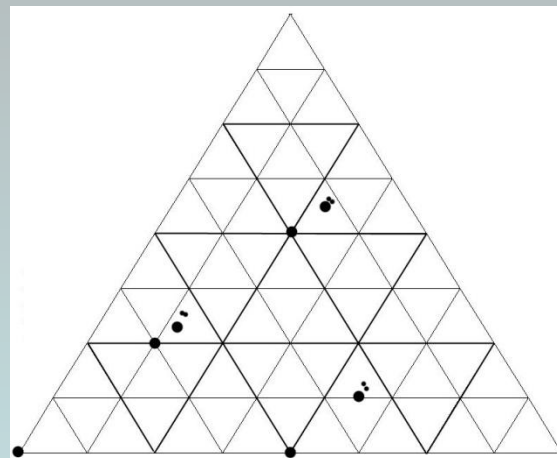
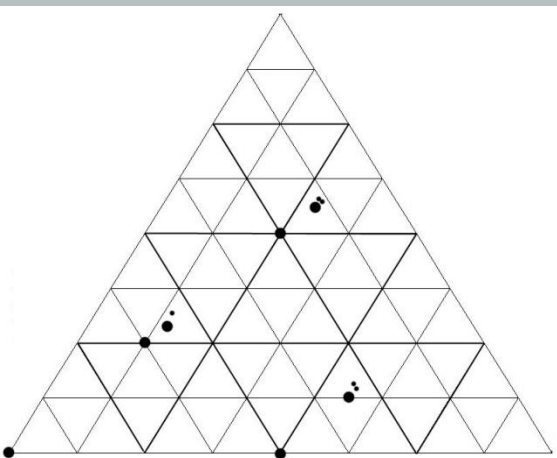
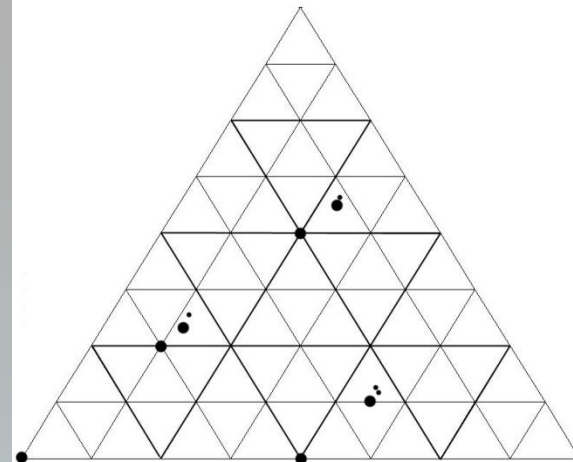
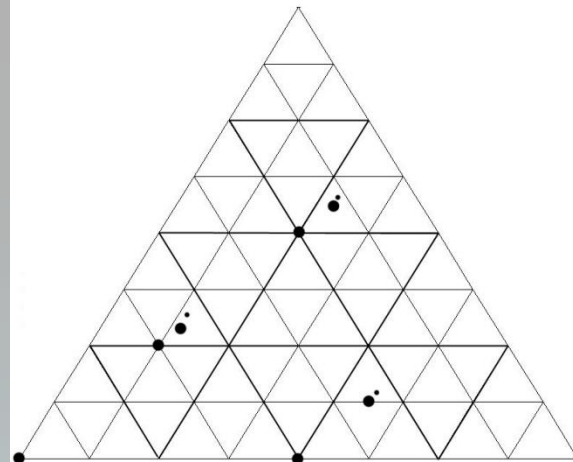
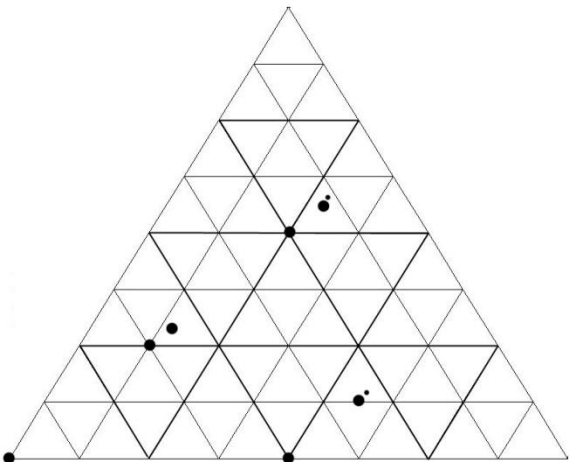


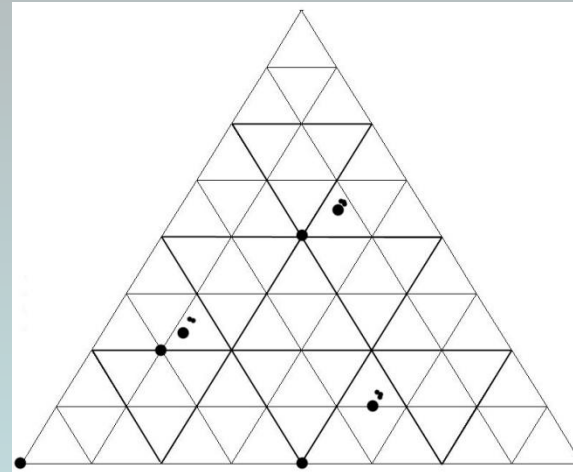
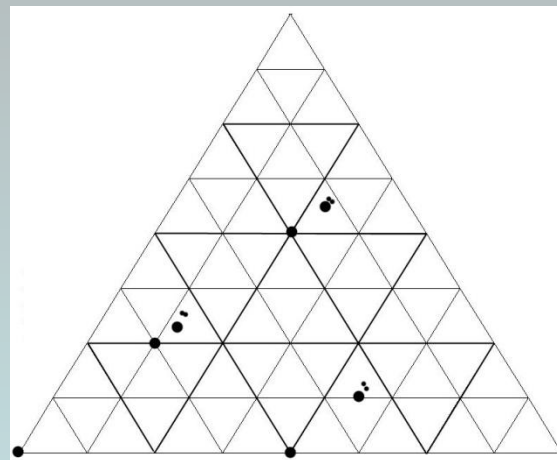
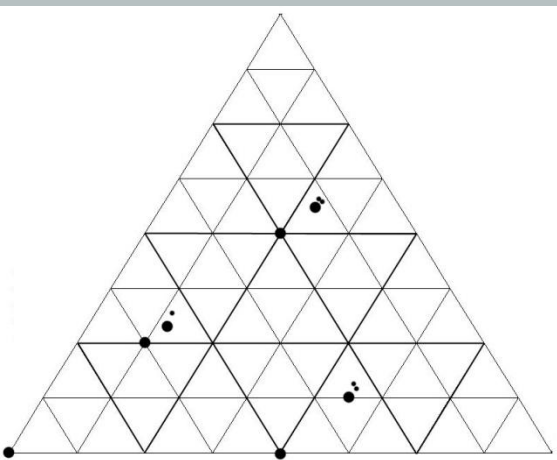
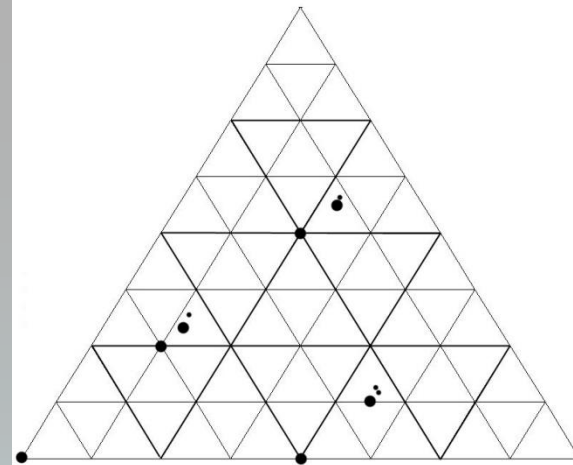
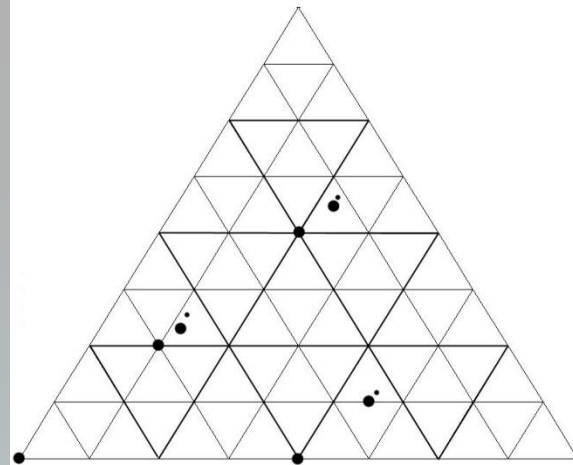
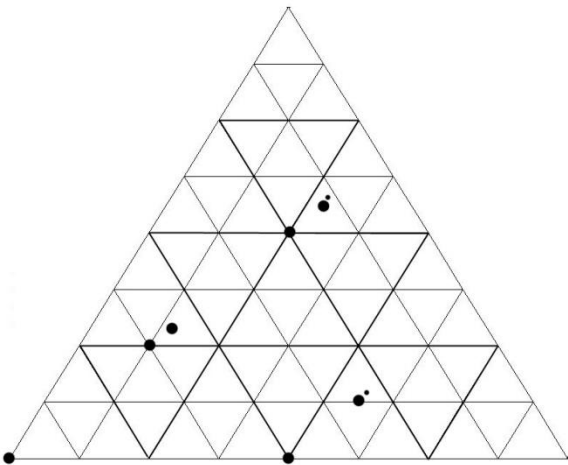


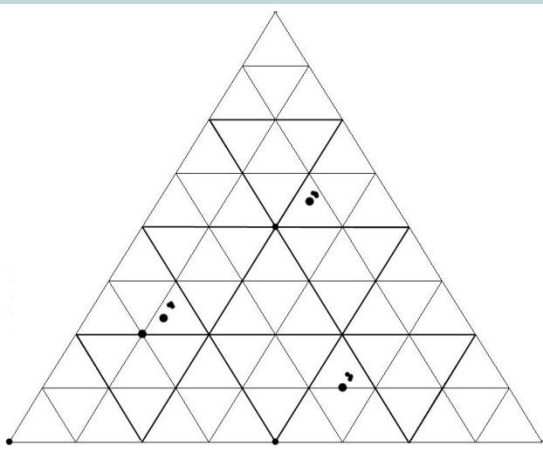
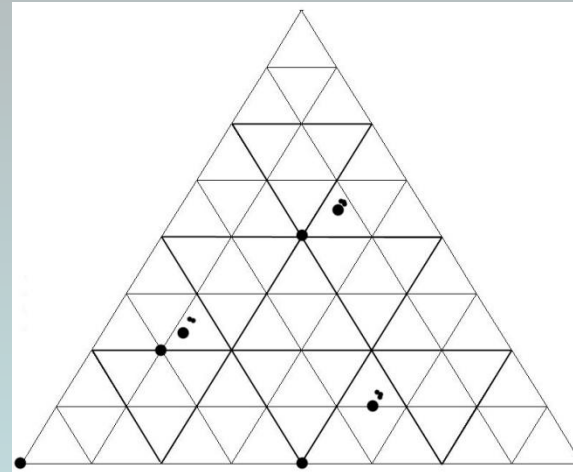
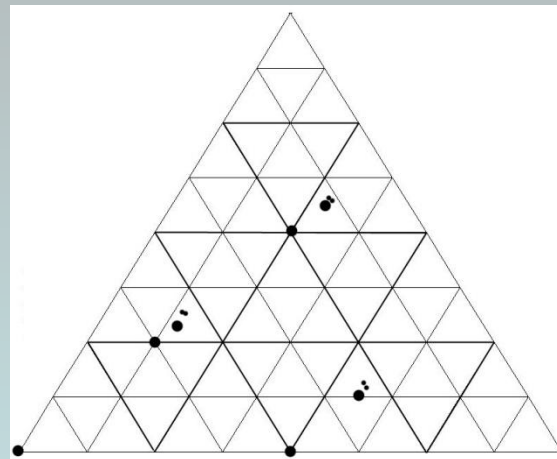
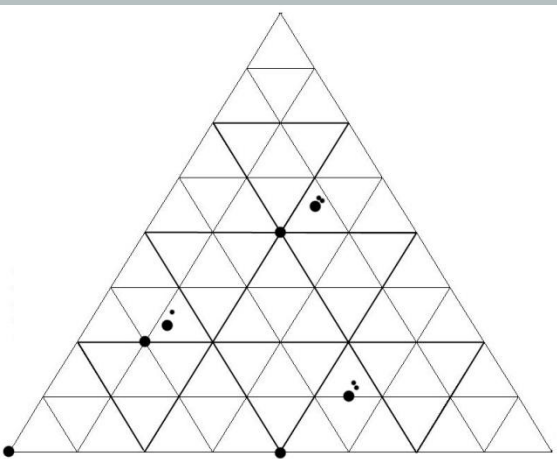
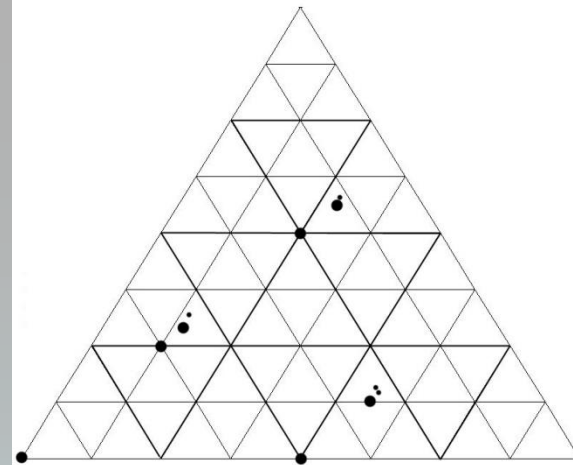
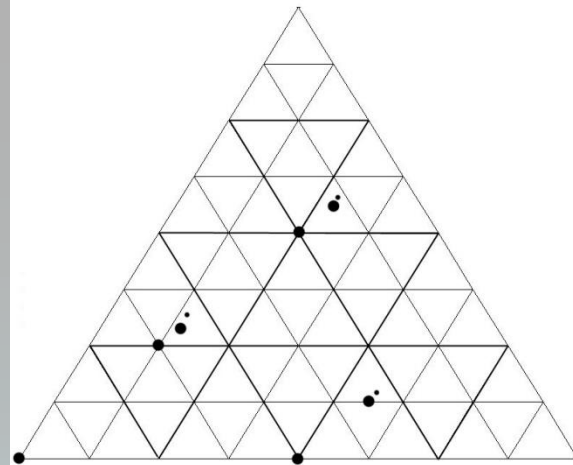
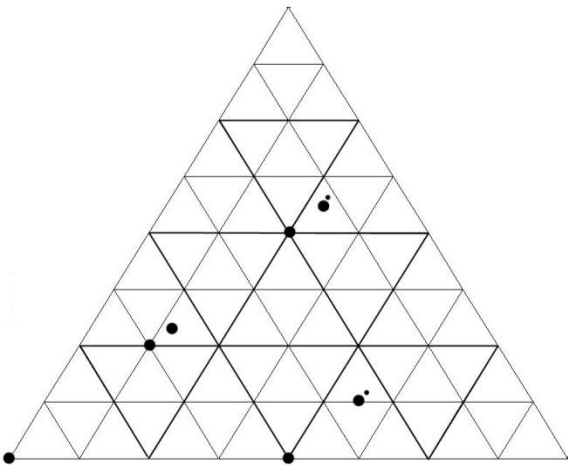


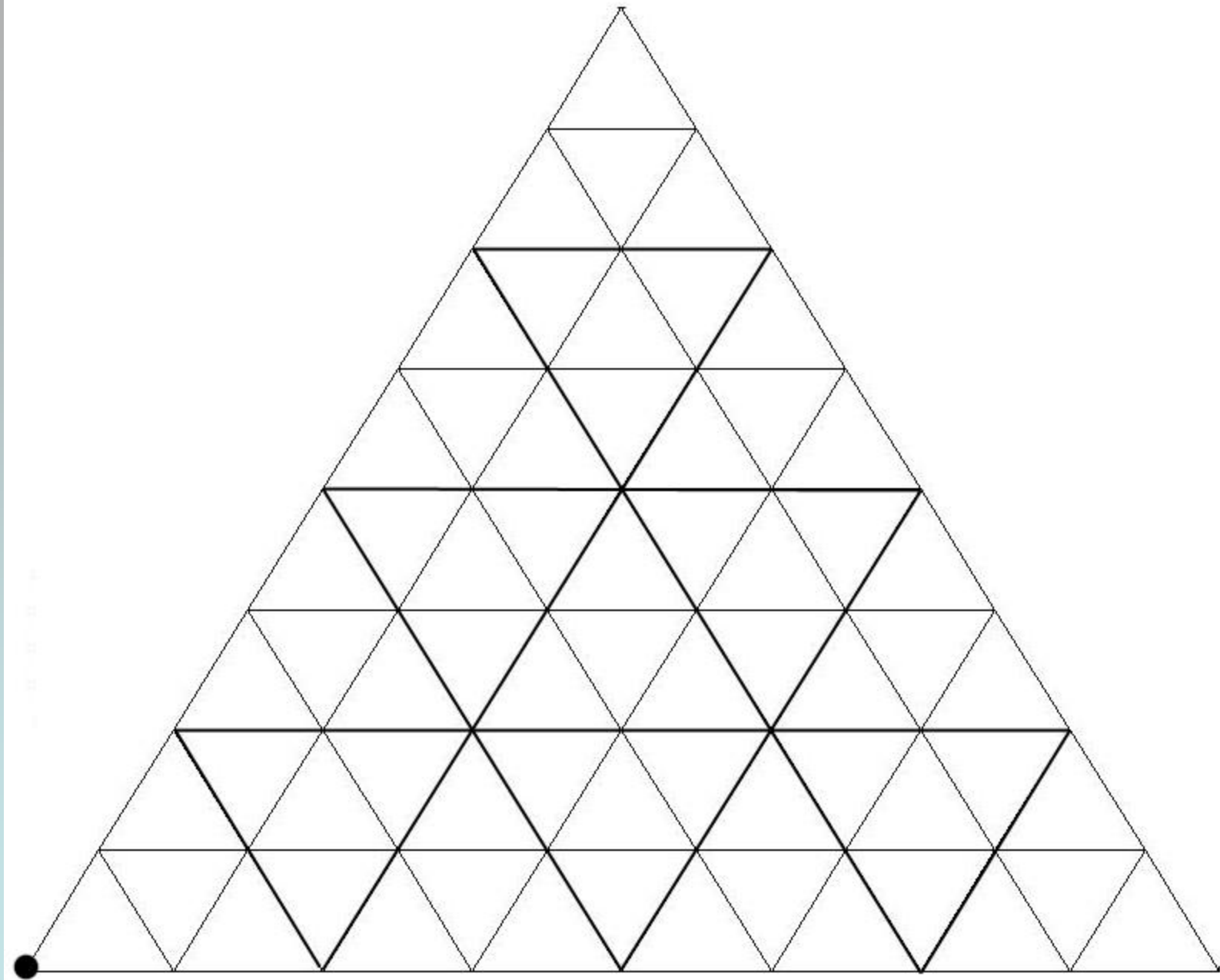


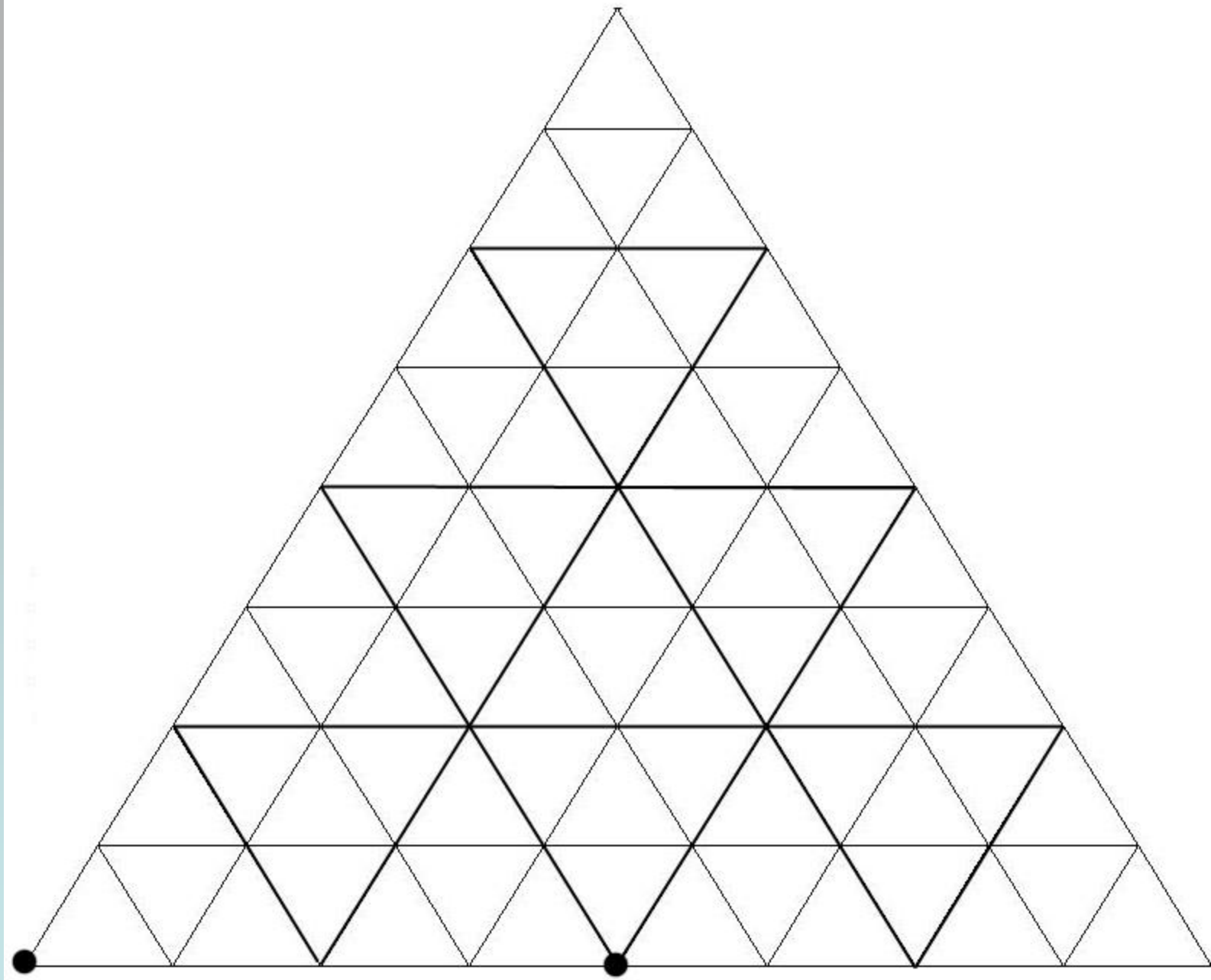


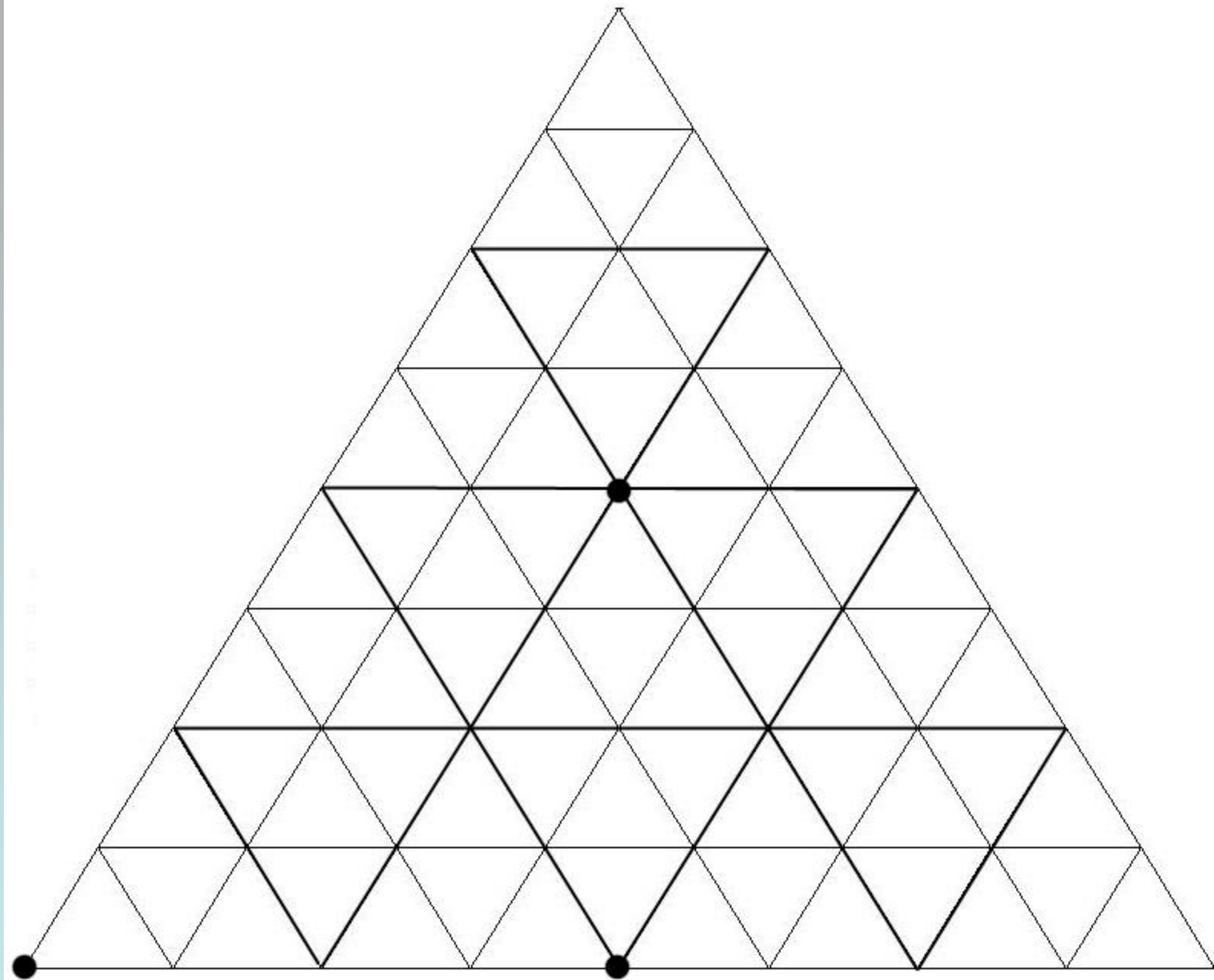




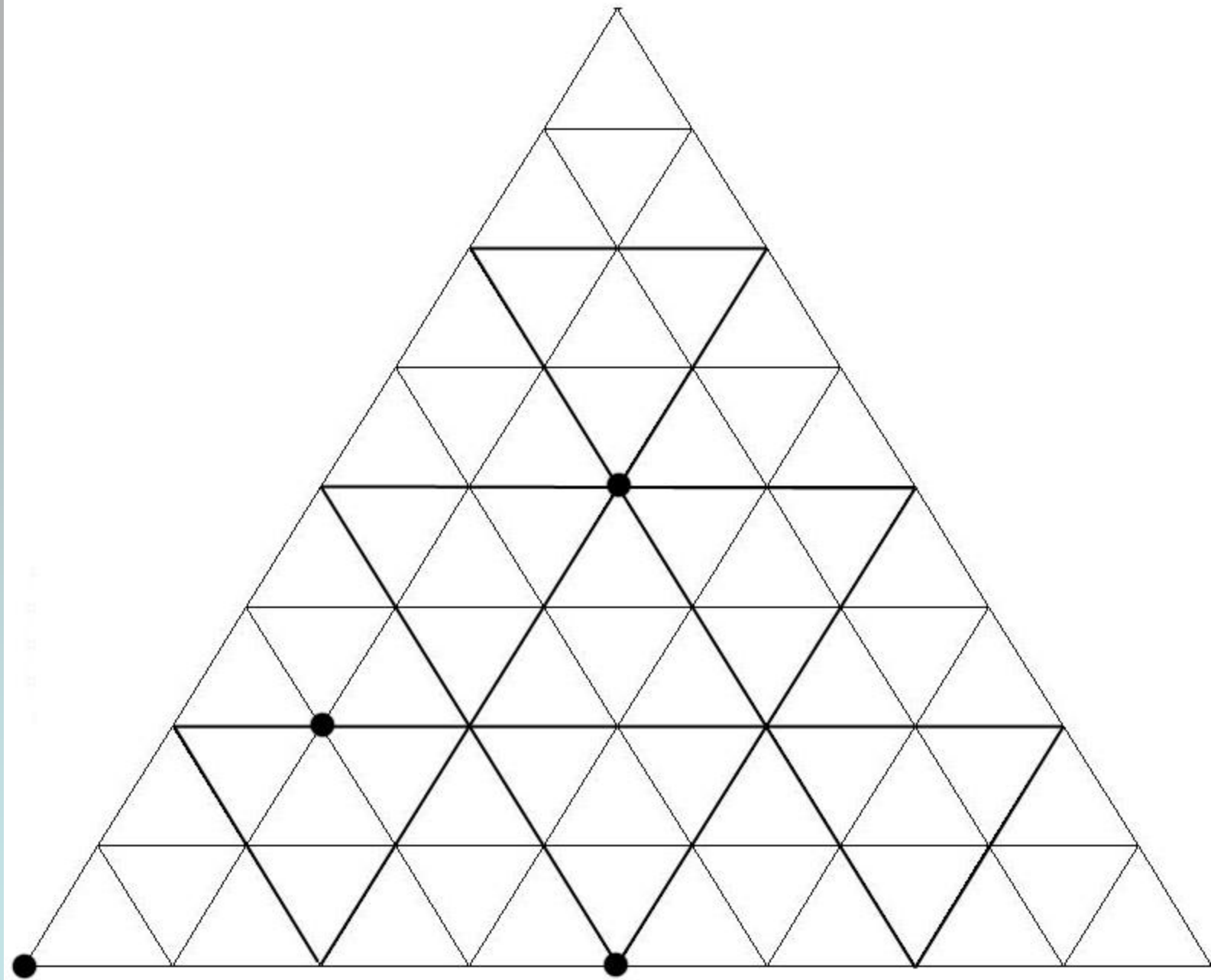




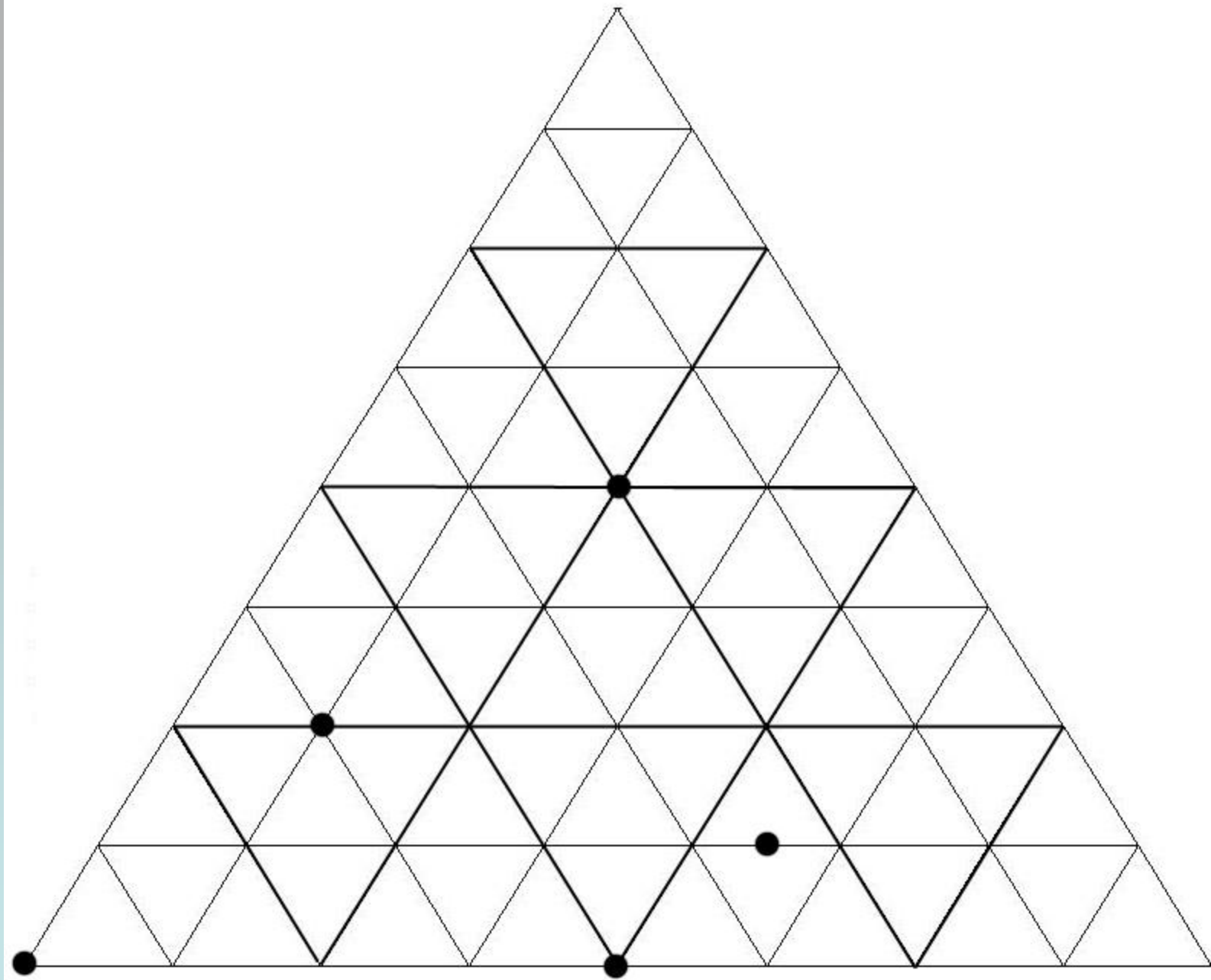




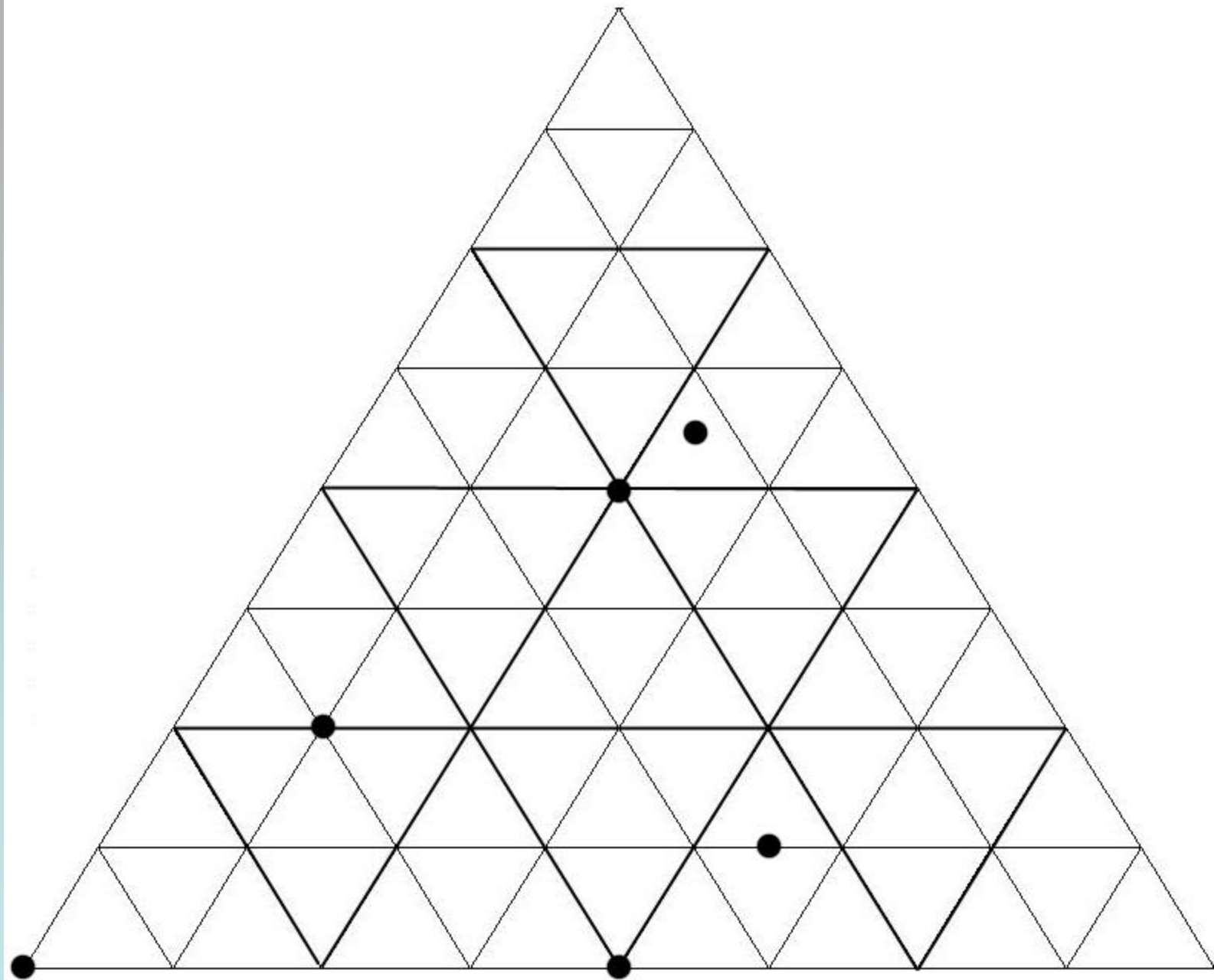


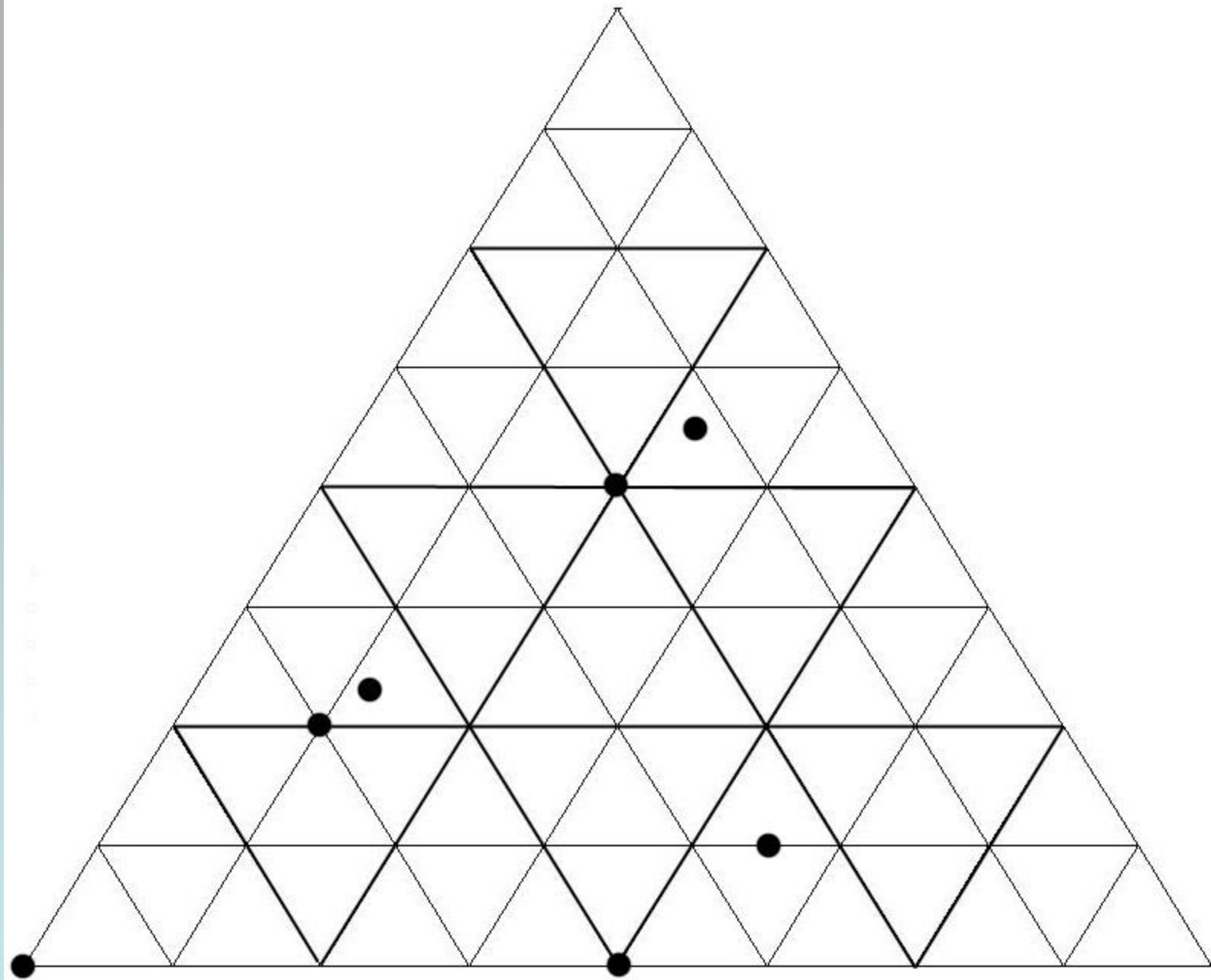


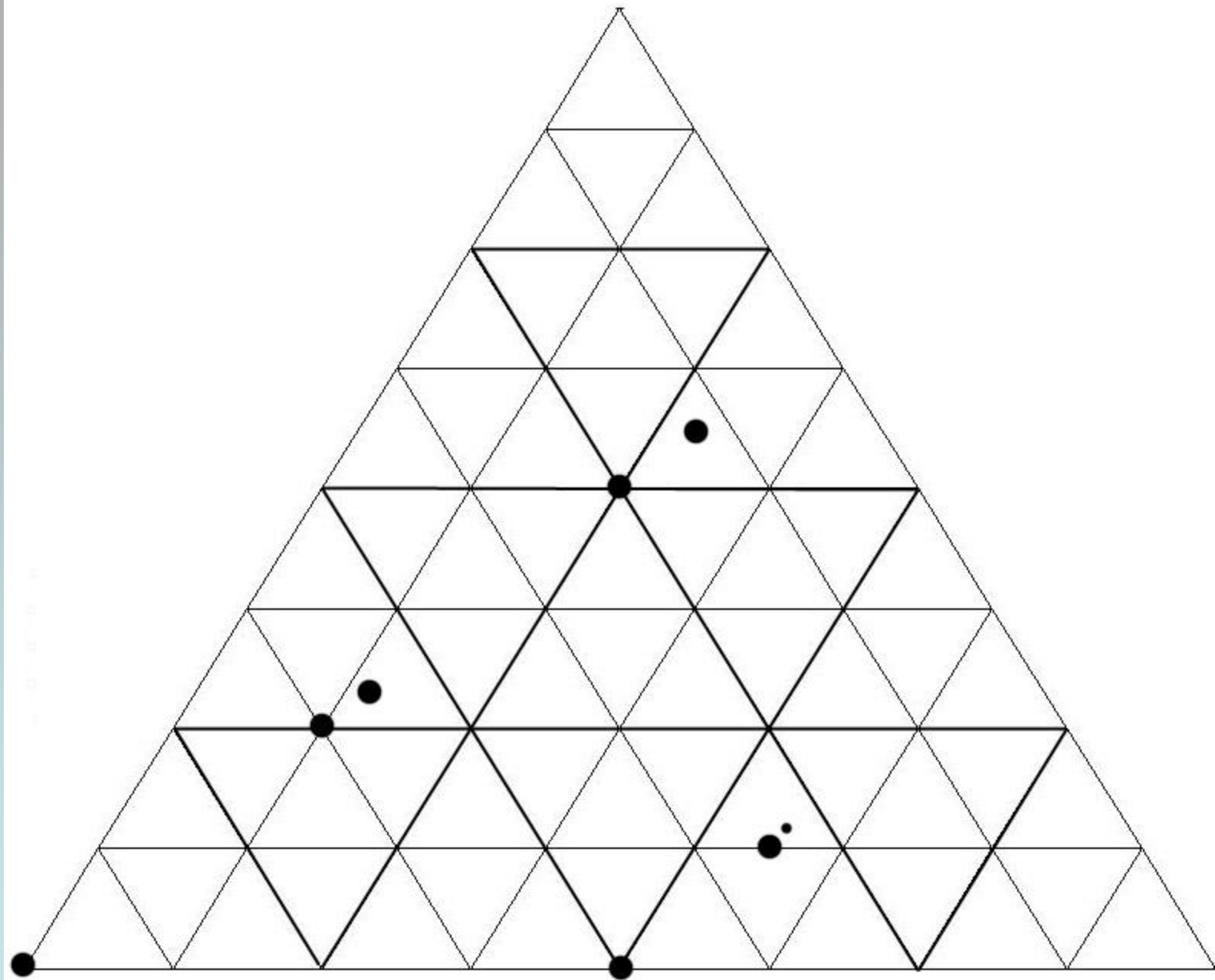
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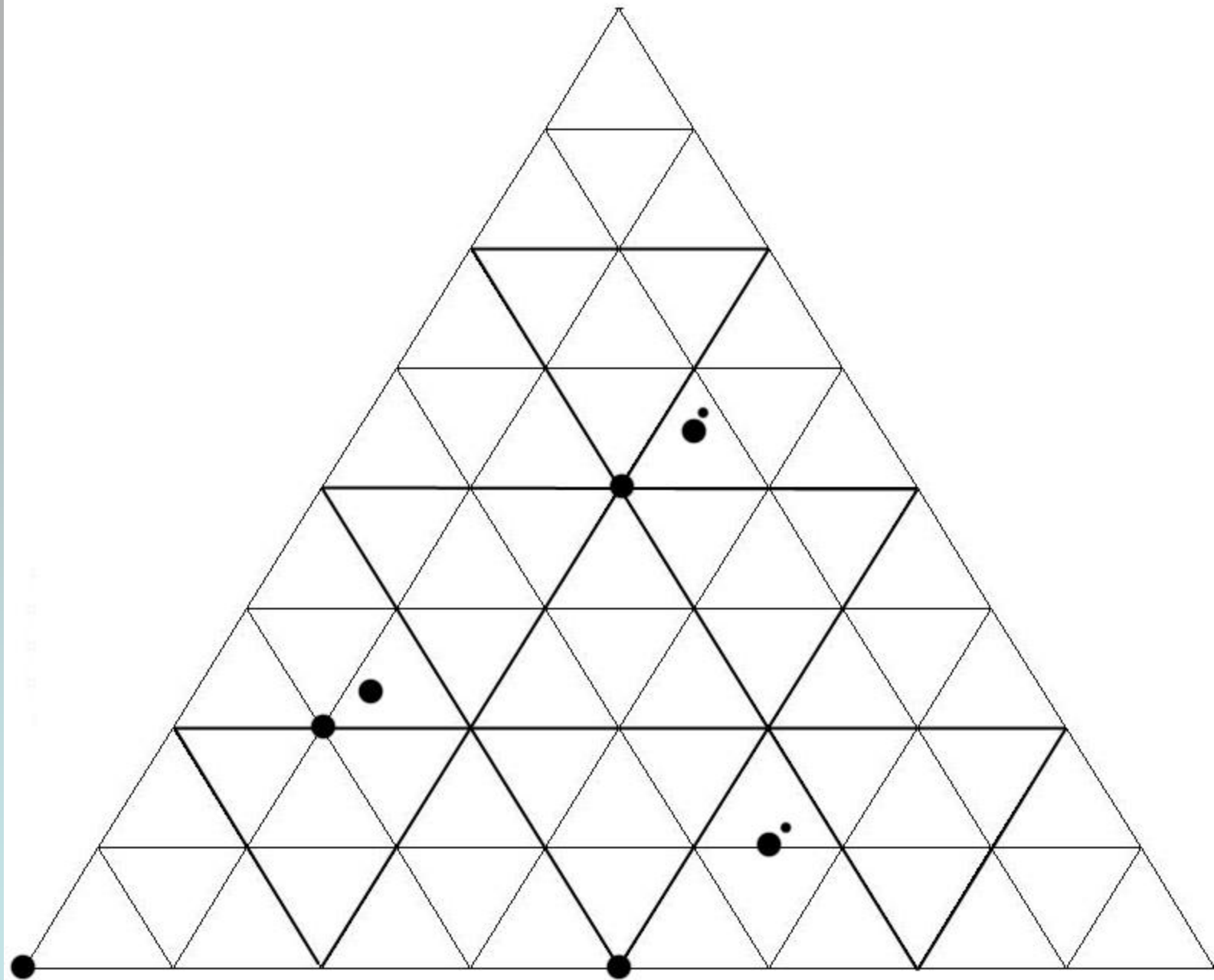


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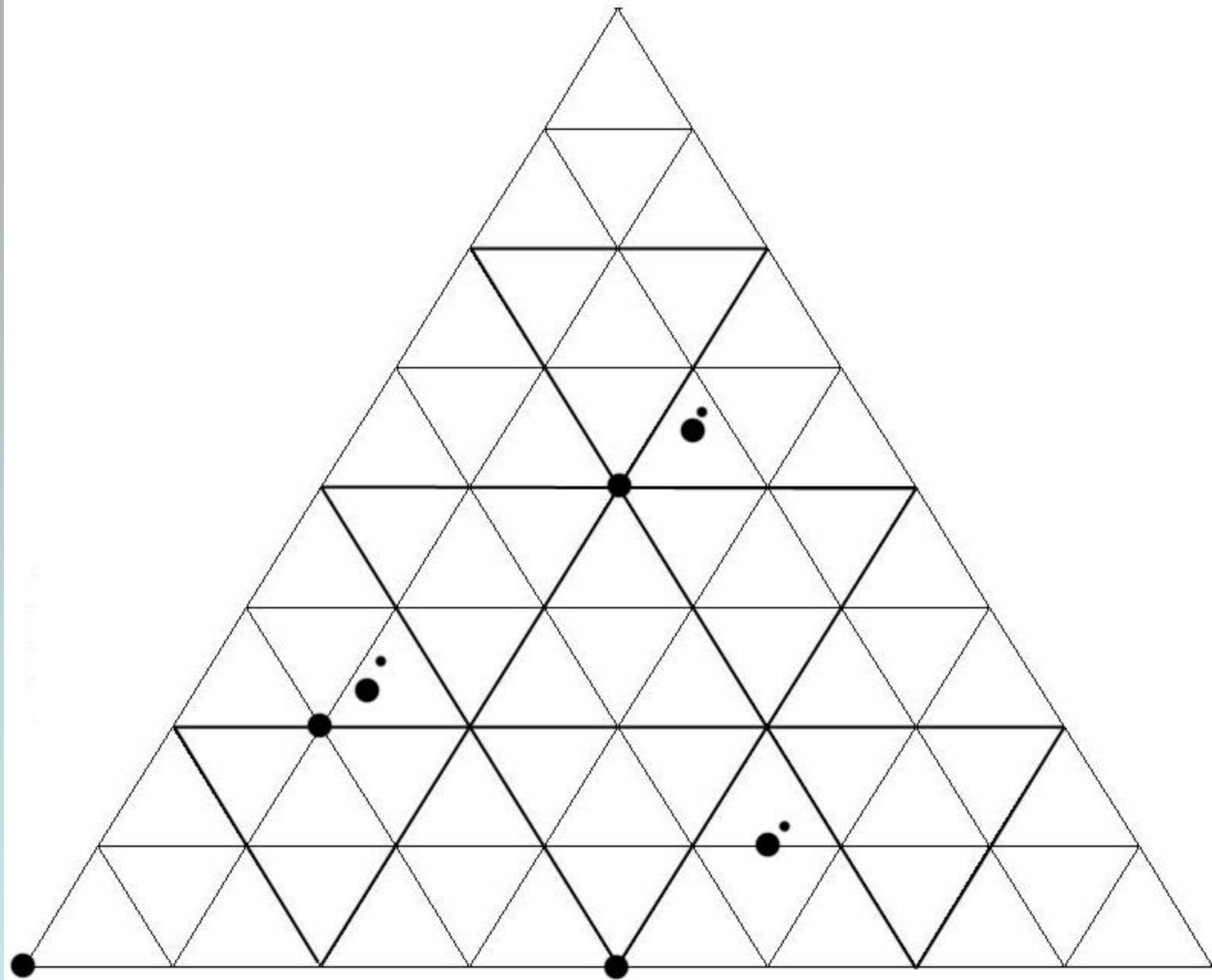


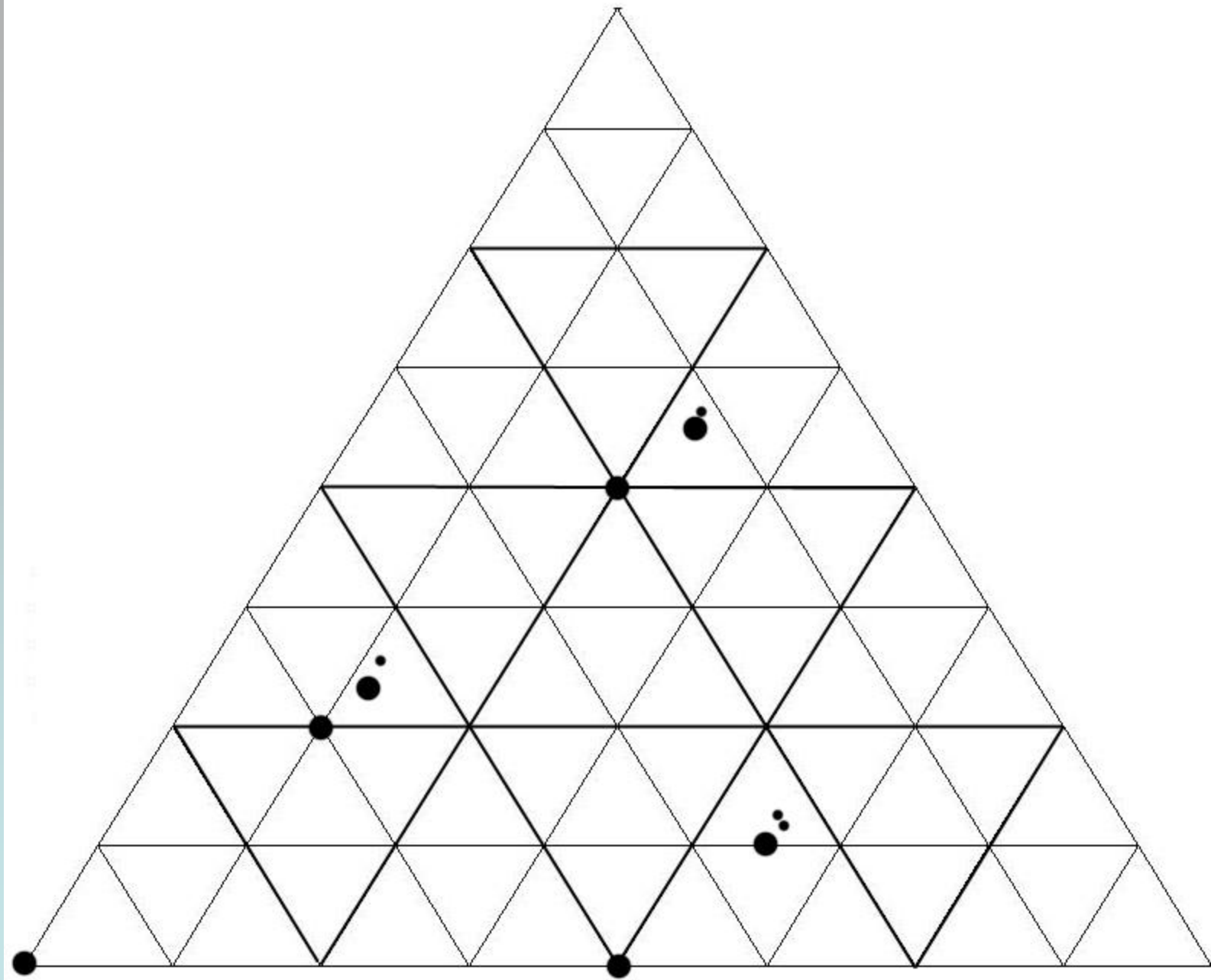


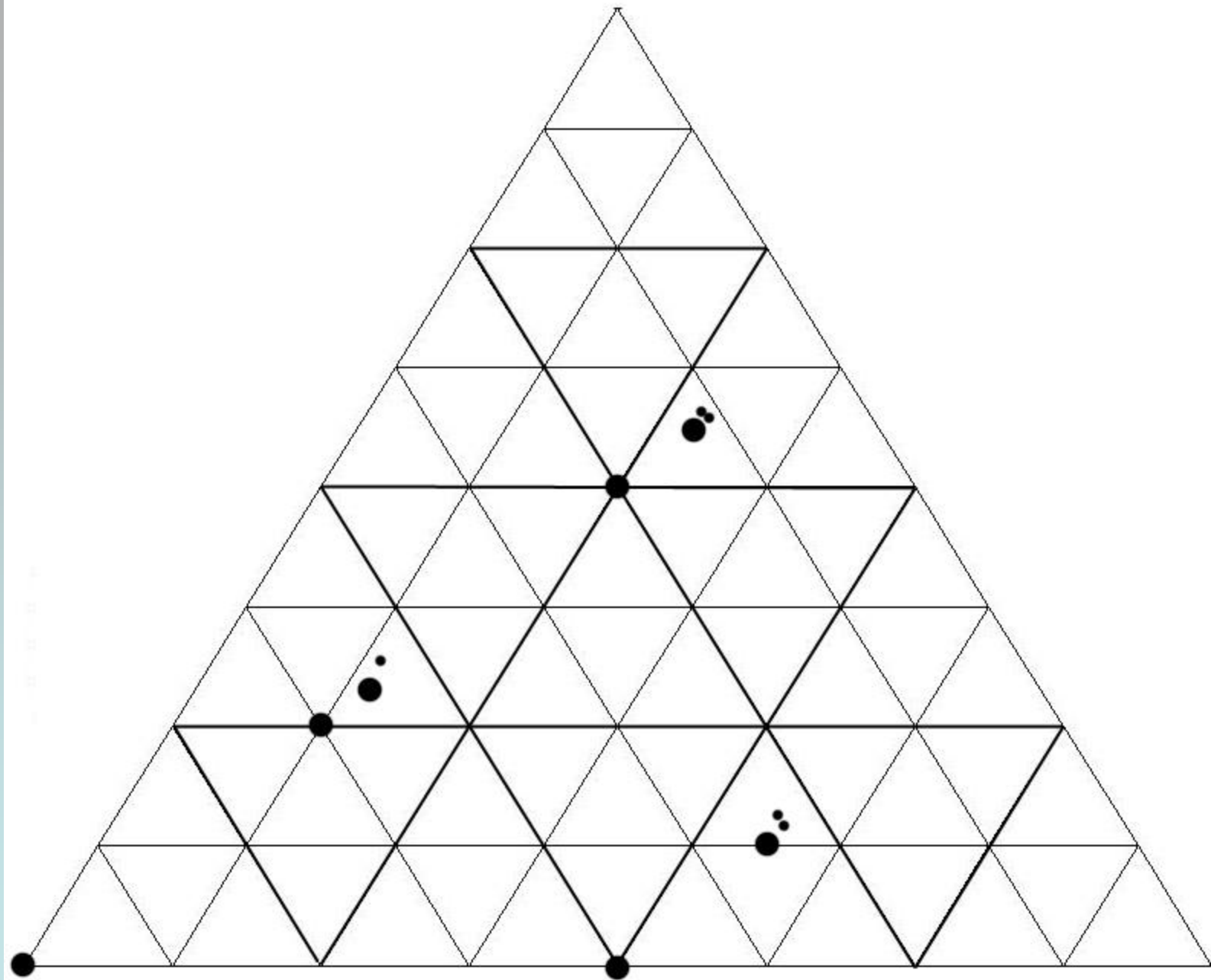


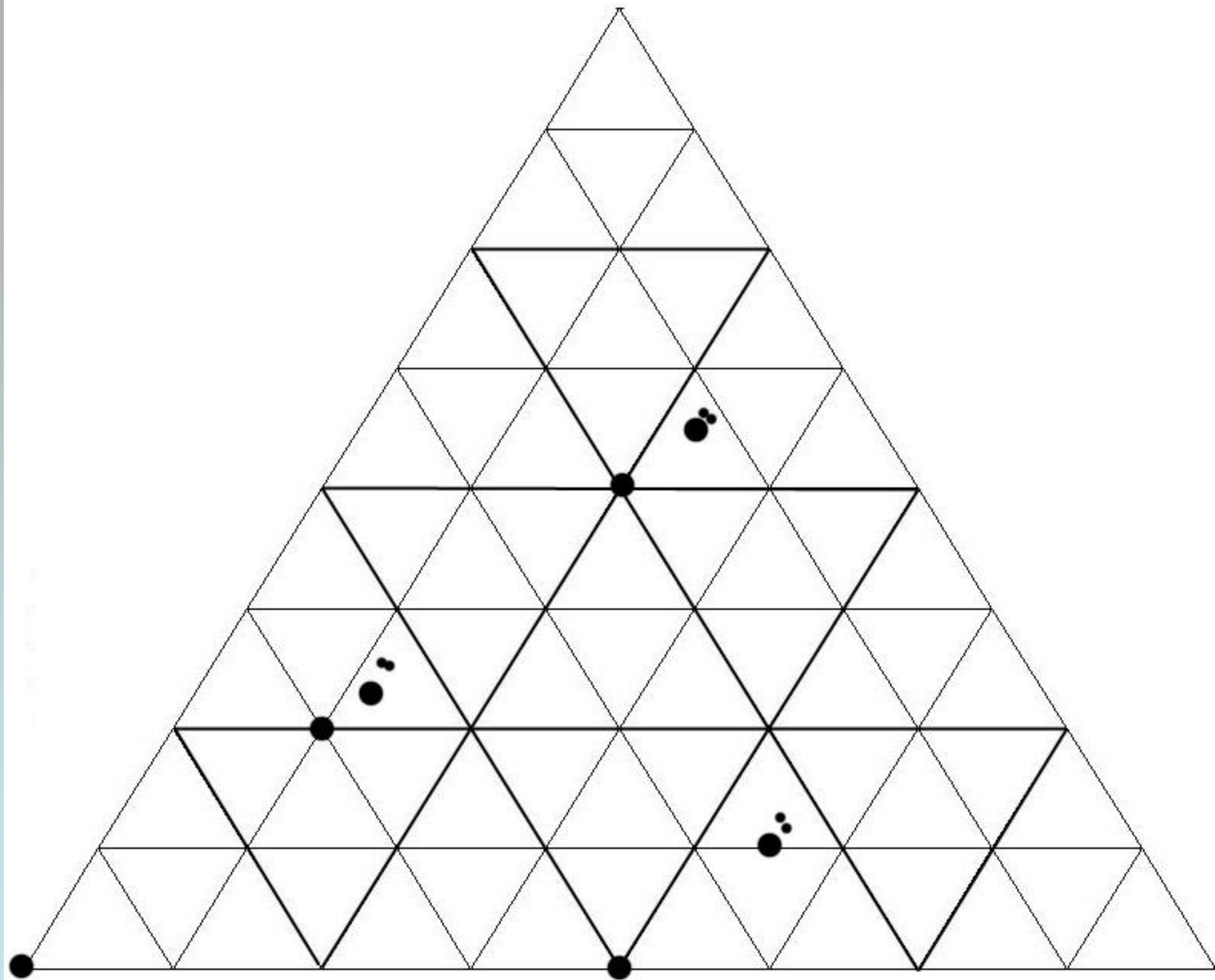


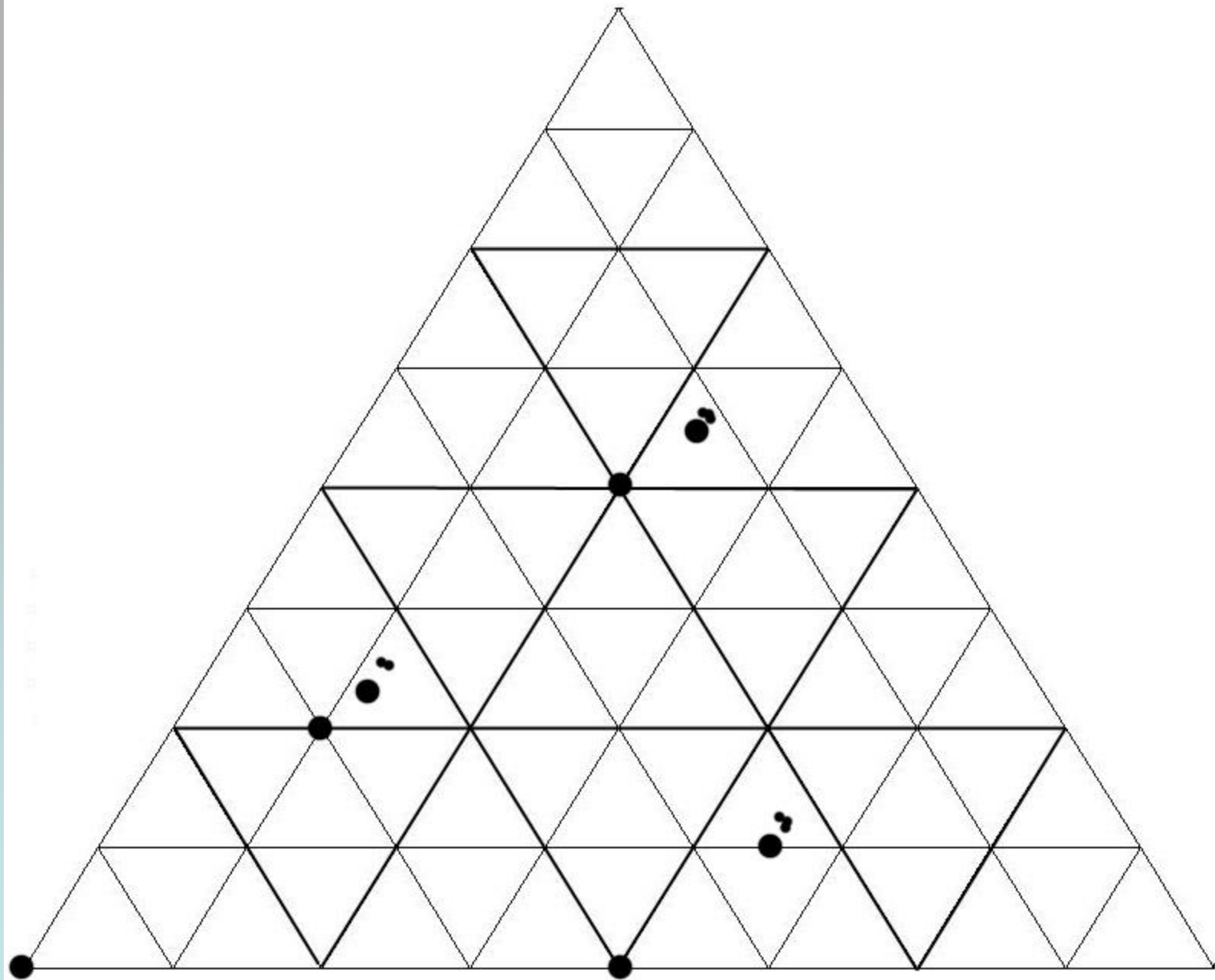


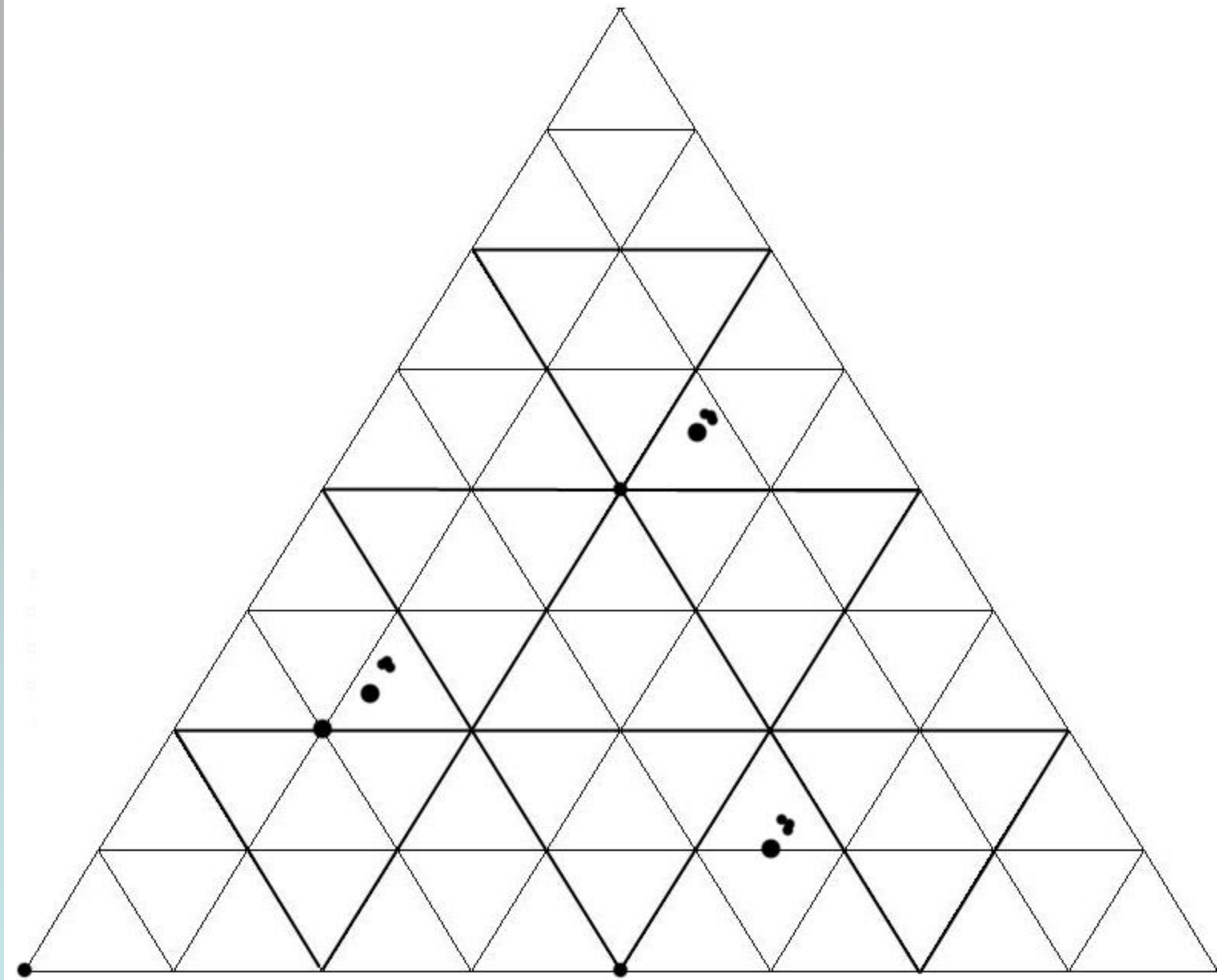








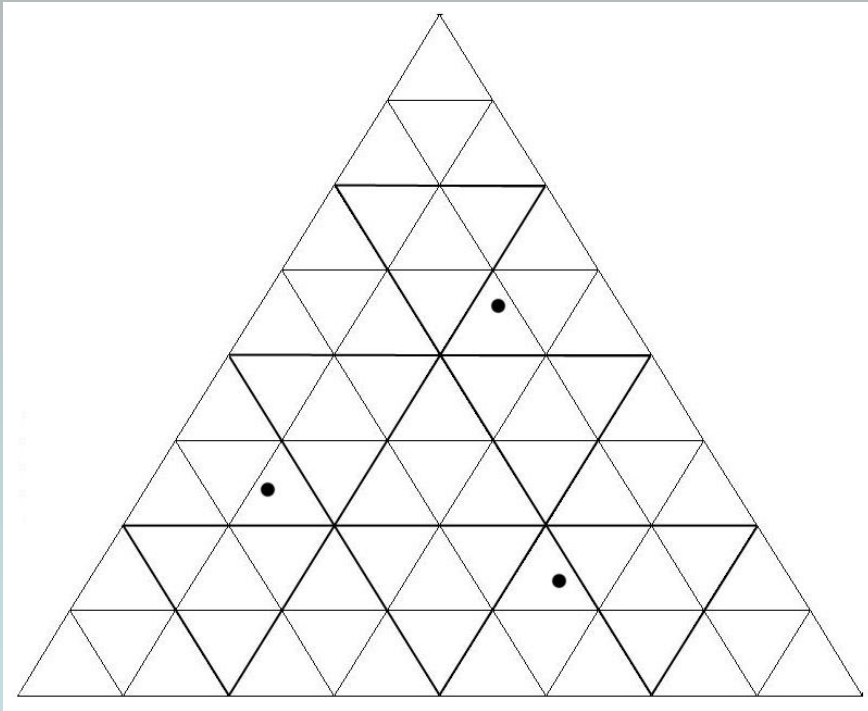




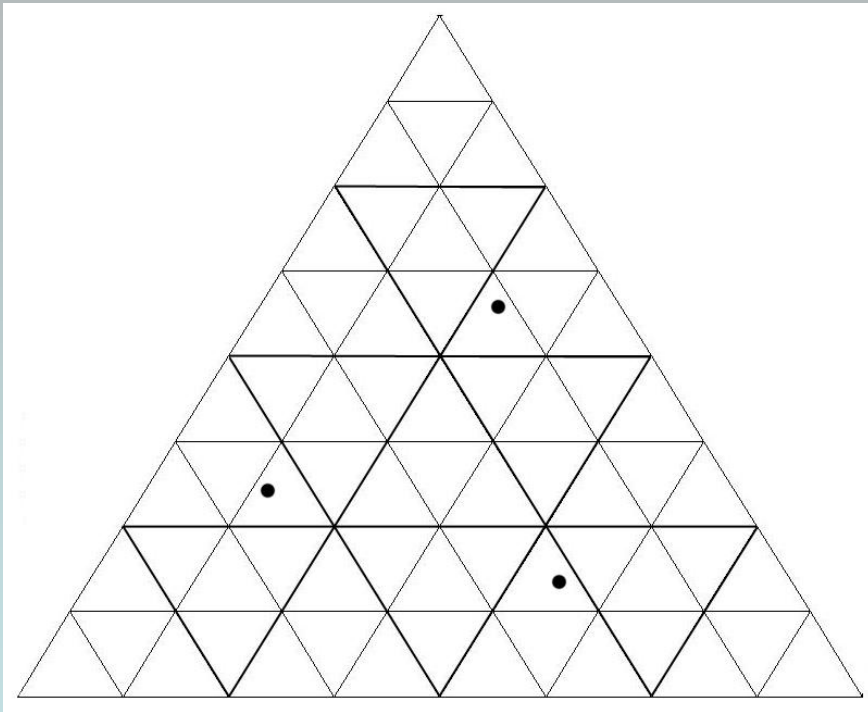


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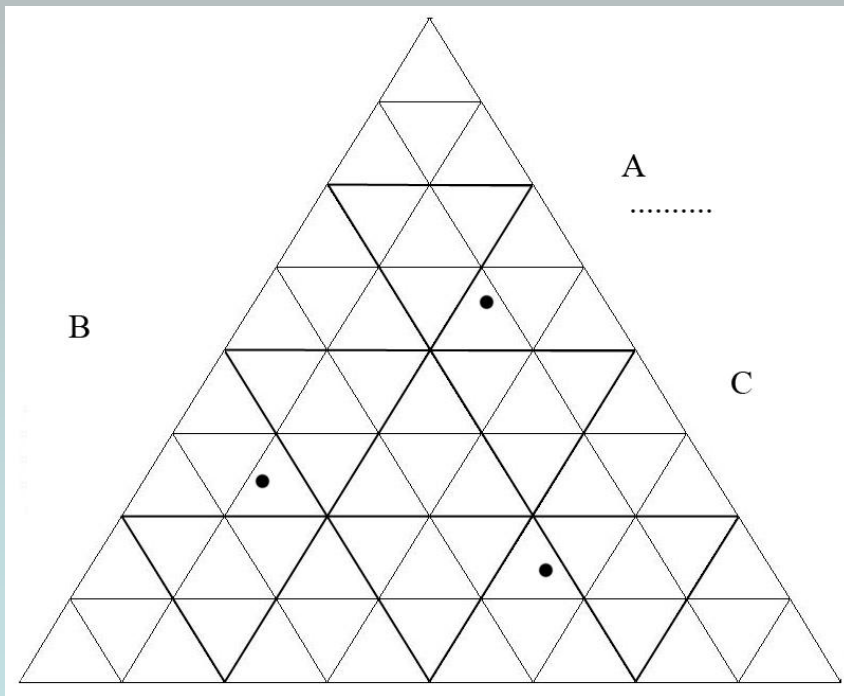


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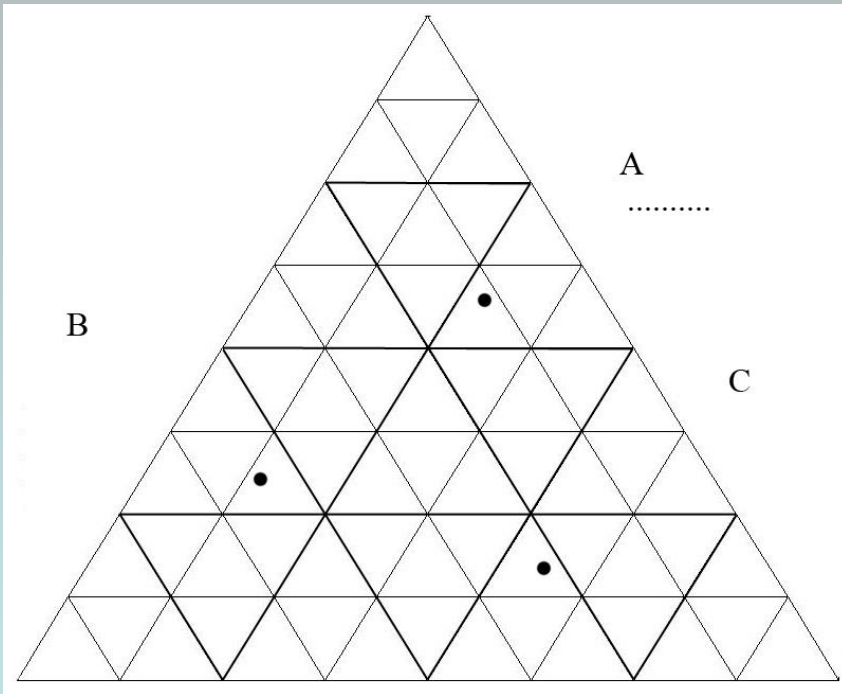
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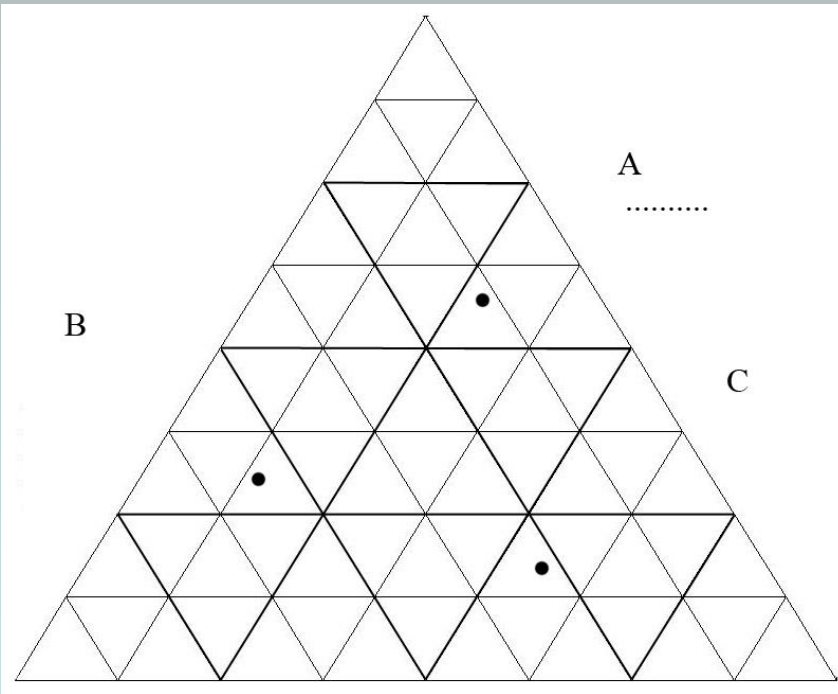
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Now play the game with the game numbers  
123123123.....

Address of point B is

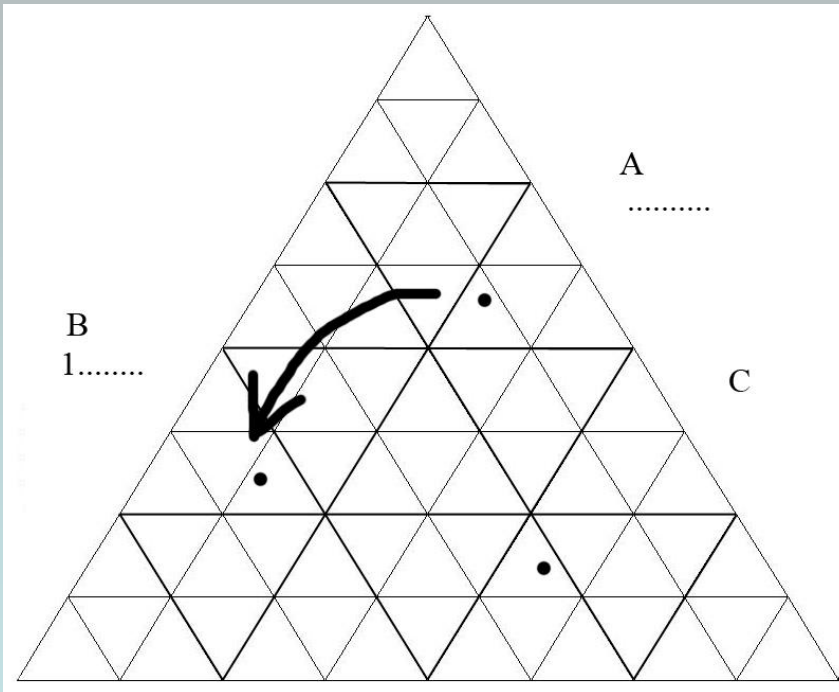




Call these 3 points A, B, and C. Let ..... denote the address of point A.

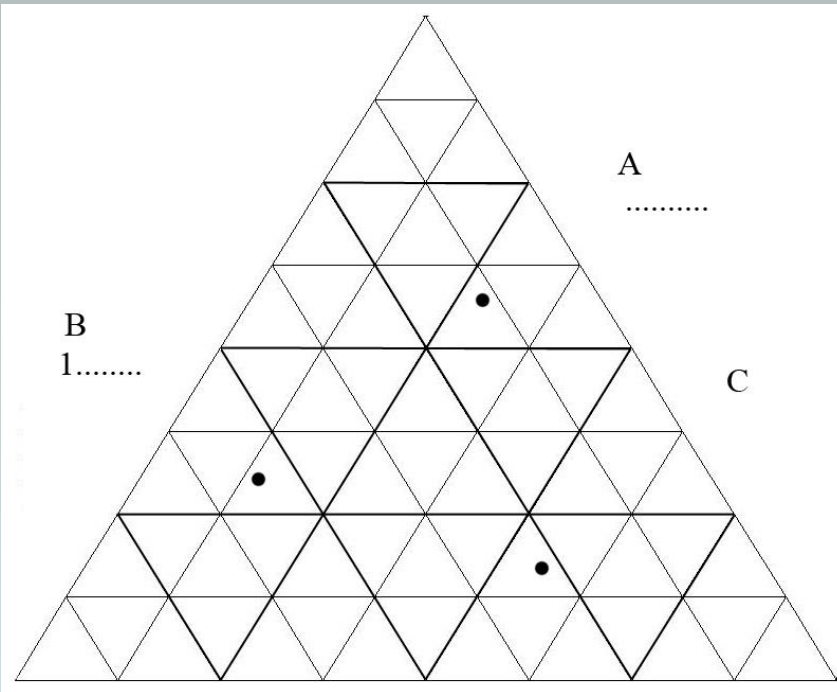
Now play the game with the game numbers 123123123.....

Address of point B is 1.....



Call these 3 points A, B, and C. Let ..... denote the address of point A.

Now play the game with the game numbers 123123123.....

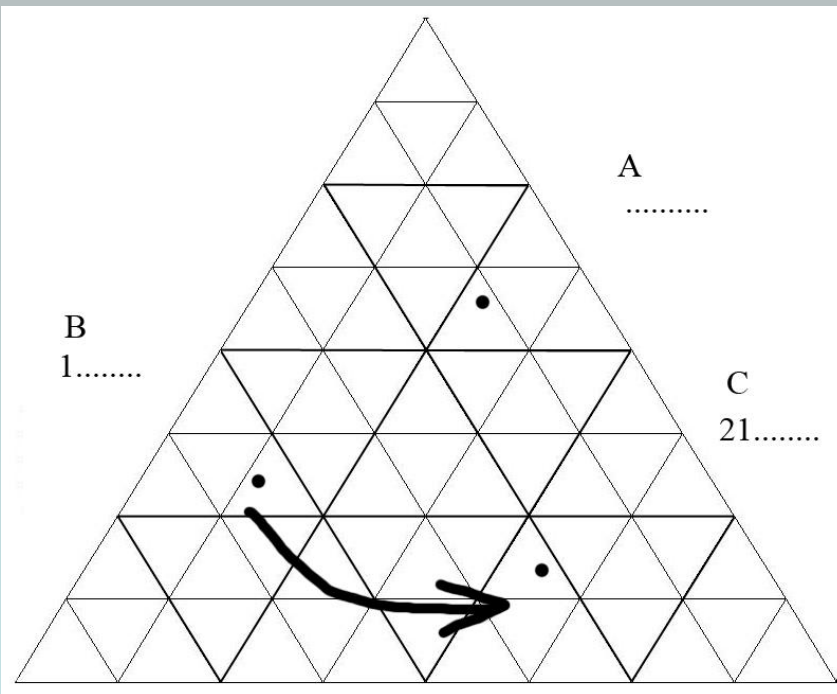


Address of point B is 1.....

Address of point C is

Call these 3 points A, B, and C. Let ..... denote the address of point A.

Now play the game with the game numbers 123123123.....

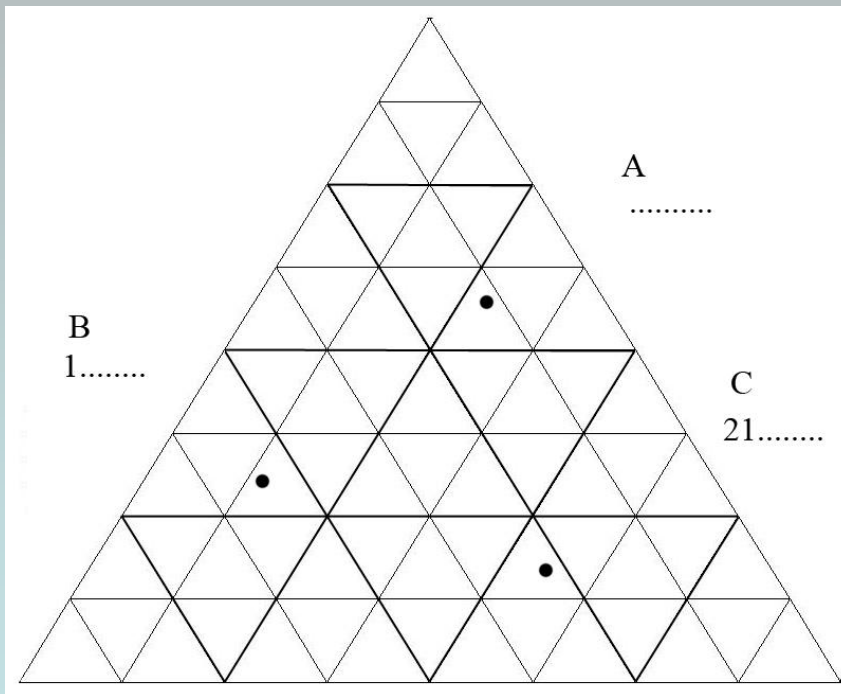


Address of point B is 1.....

Address of point C is 21.....

Call these 3 points A, B, and C. Let ..... denote the address of point A.

Now play the game with the game numbers 123123123.....



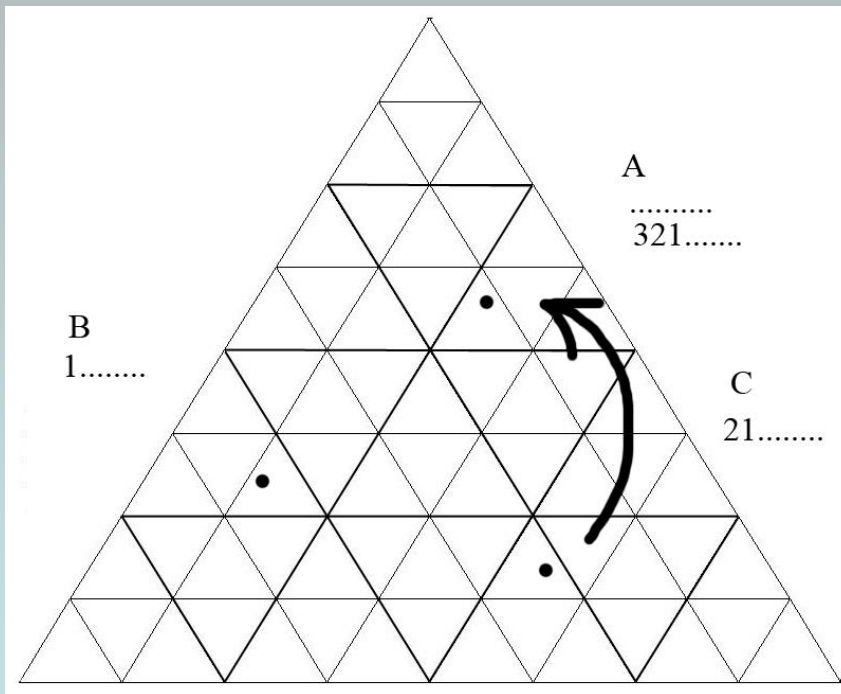
Address of point B is 1.....

Address of point C is 21.....

Address of point A then is

Call these 3 points A, B, and C. Let ..... denote the address of point A.

Now play the game with the game numbers 123123123.....



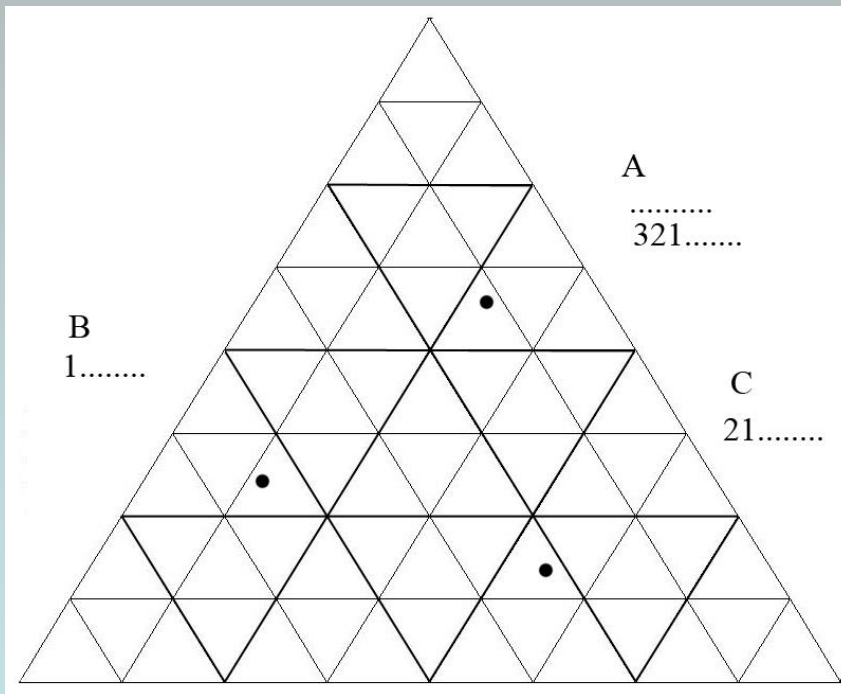
Address of point B is 1.....

Address of point C is 21.....

Address of point A then is 321.....

Call these 3 points A, B, and C. Let ..... denote the address of point A.

Now play the game with the game numbers 123123123.....

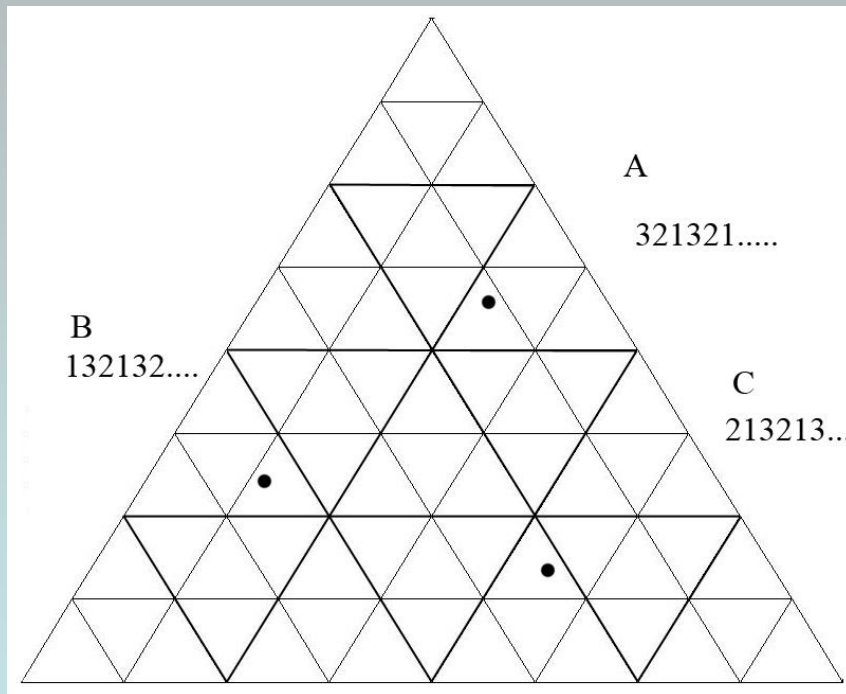


Address of point B is 1.....

Address of point C is 21.....

Address of point A then is 321..... = .....

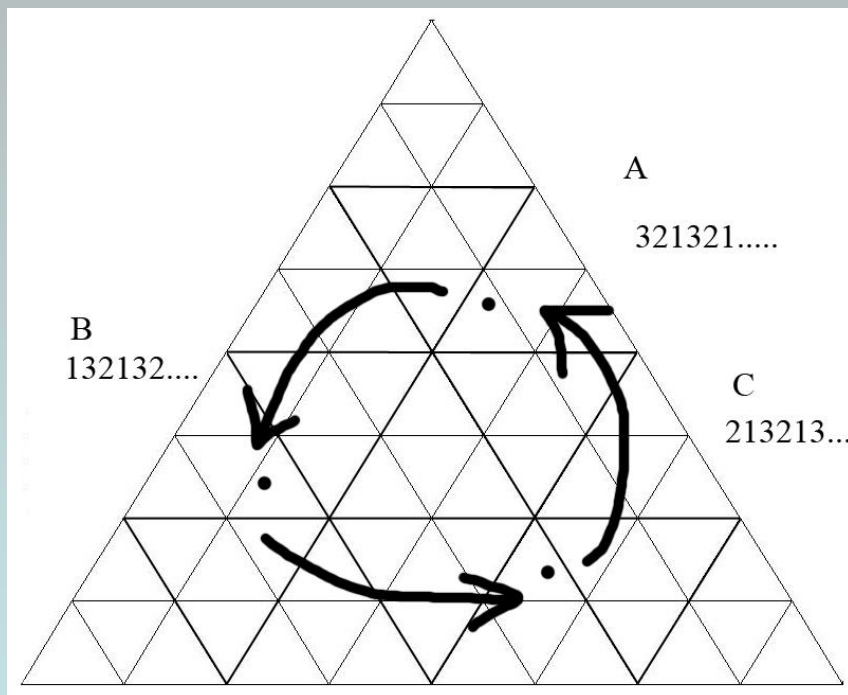




So the address of point  
A must be 321321....

And so address of B  
must be 132132.....

And the address of  
point C must be  
213213.....



So the address of point  
A must be 321321....

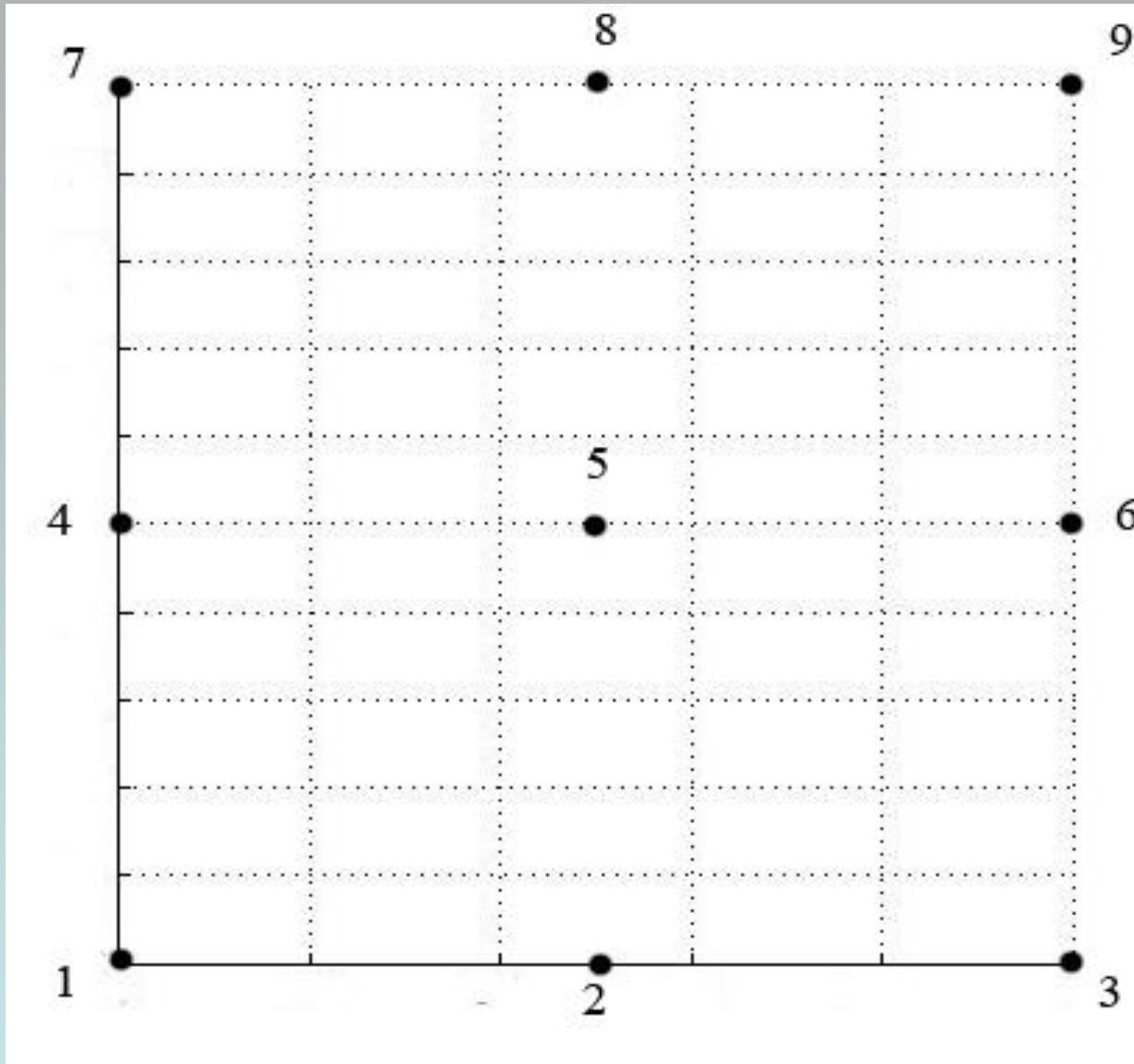
And so address of B  
must be 132132.....

And the address of  
point C must be  
213213.....

The game cycles  
through these points  
in this order.

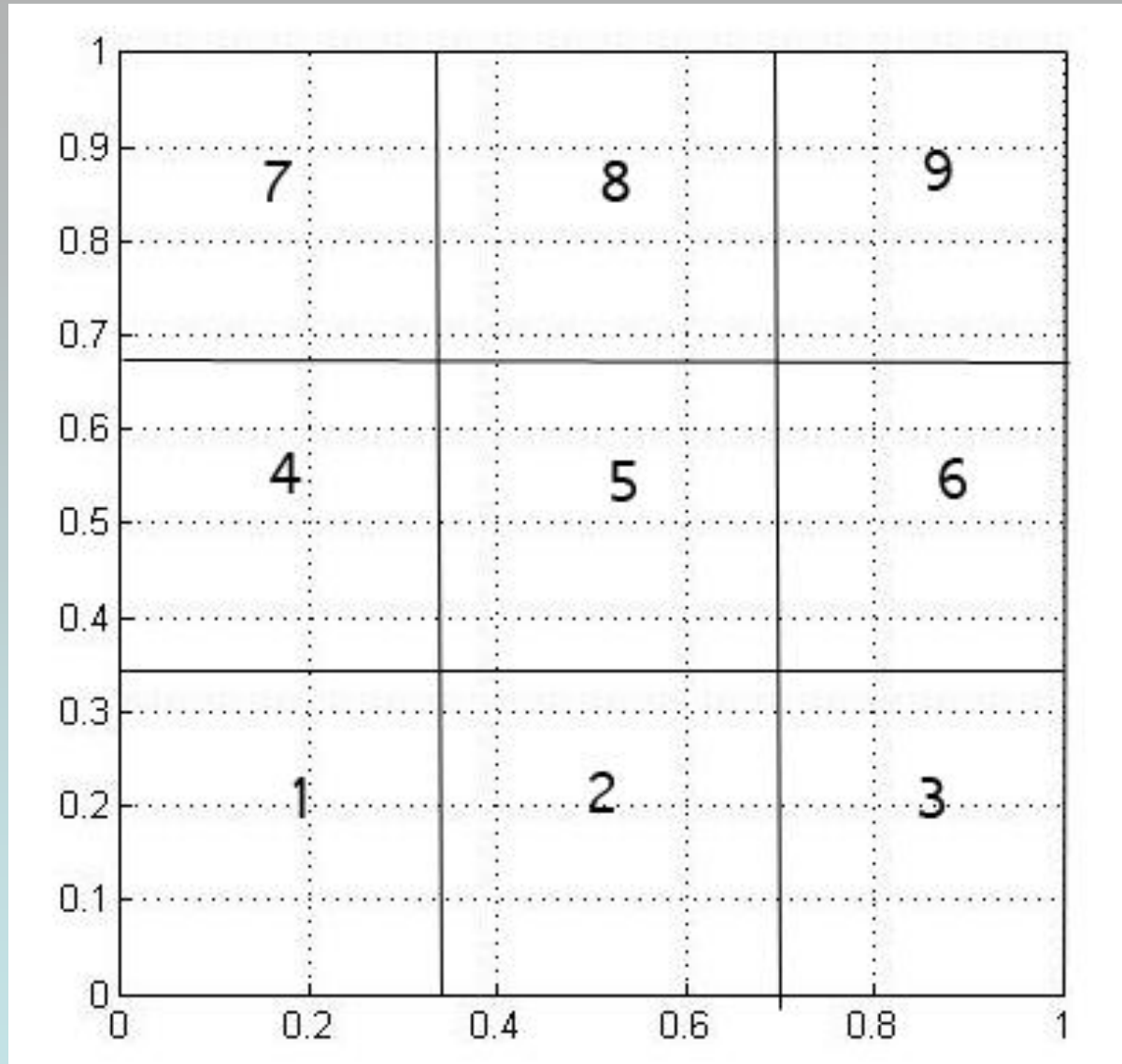
# Testing sequences for randomness

For sequences of 1, . . . , 9

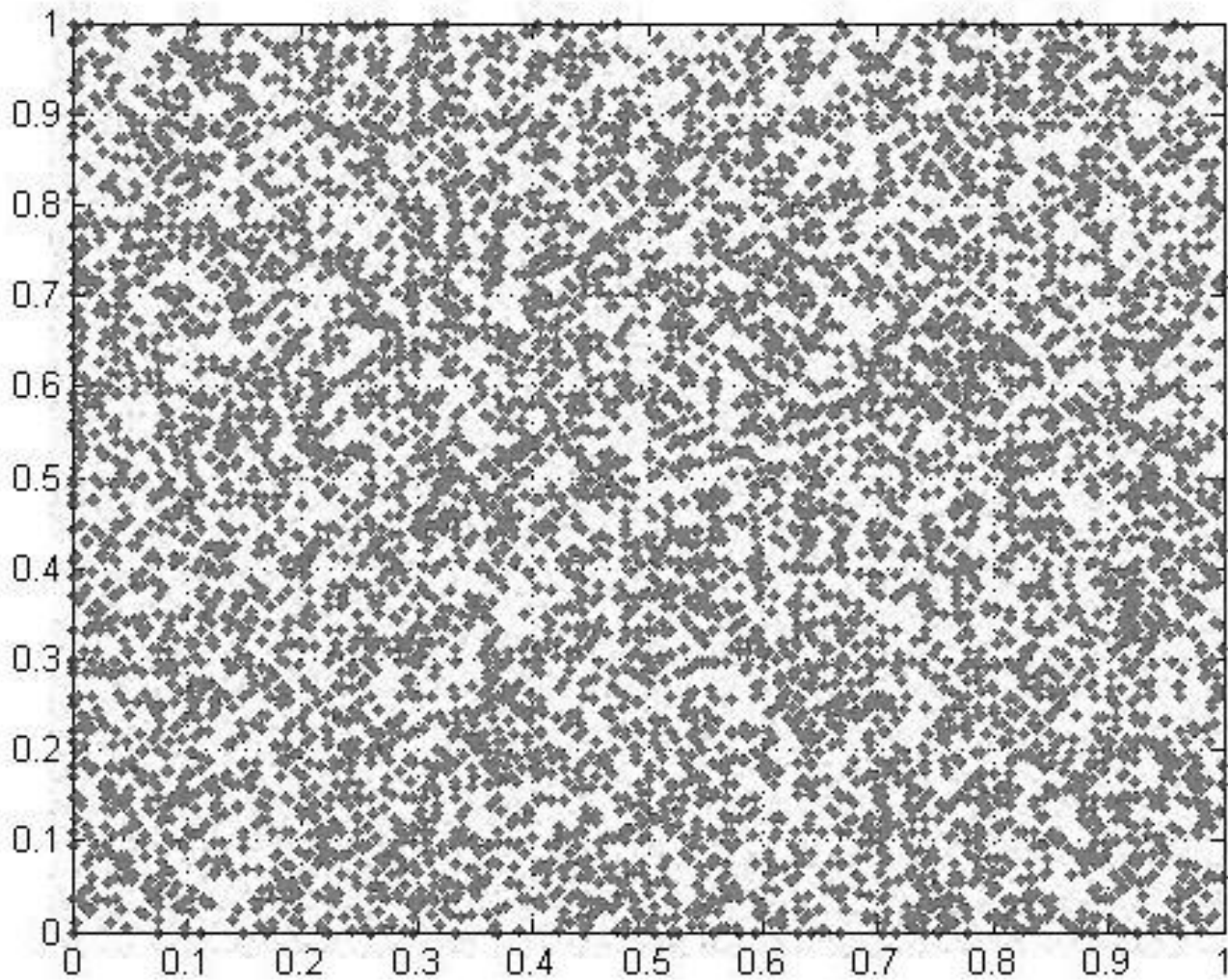


“Move  $\frac{8}{9}$  distance towards pin #k”

# Addresses

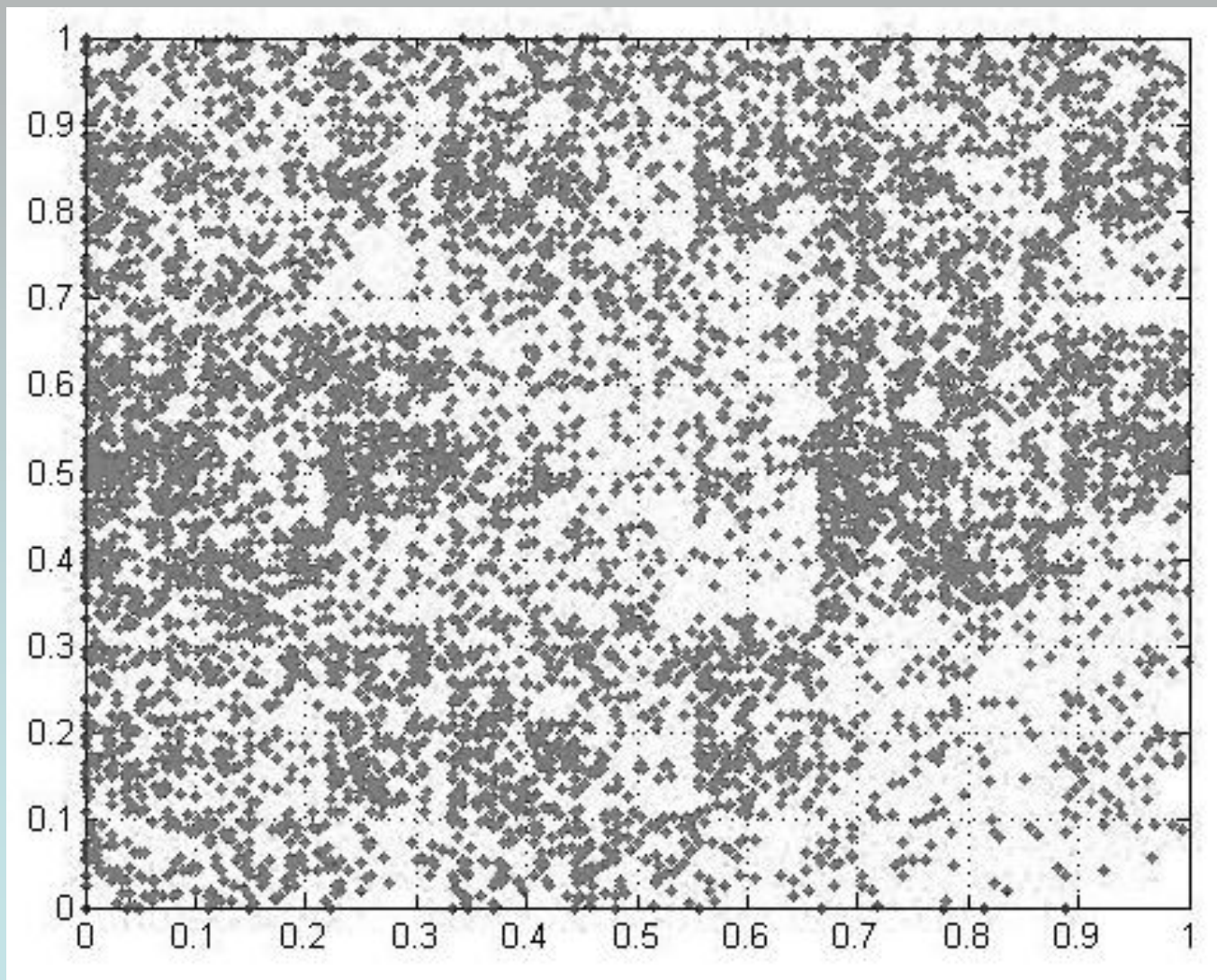


All digits occurring equally likely

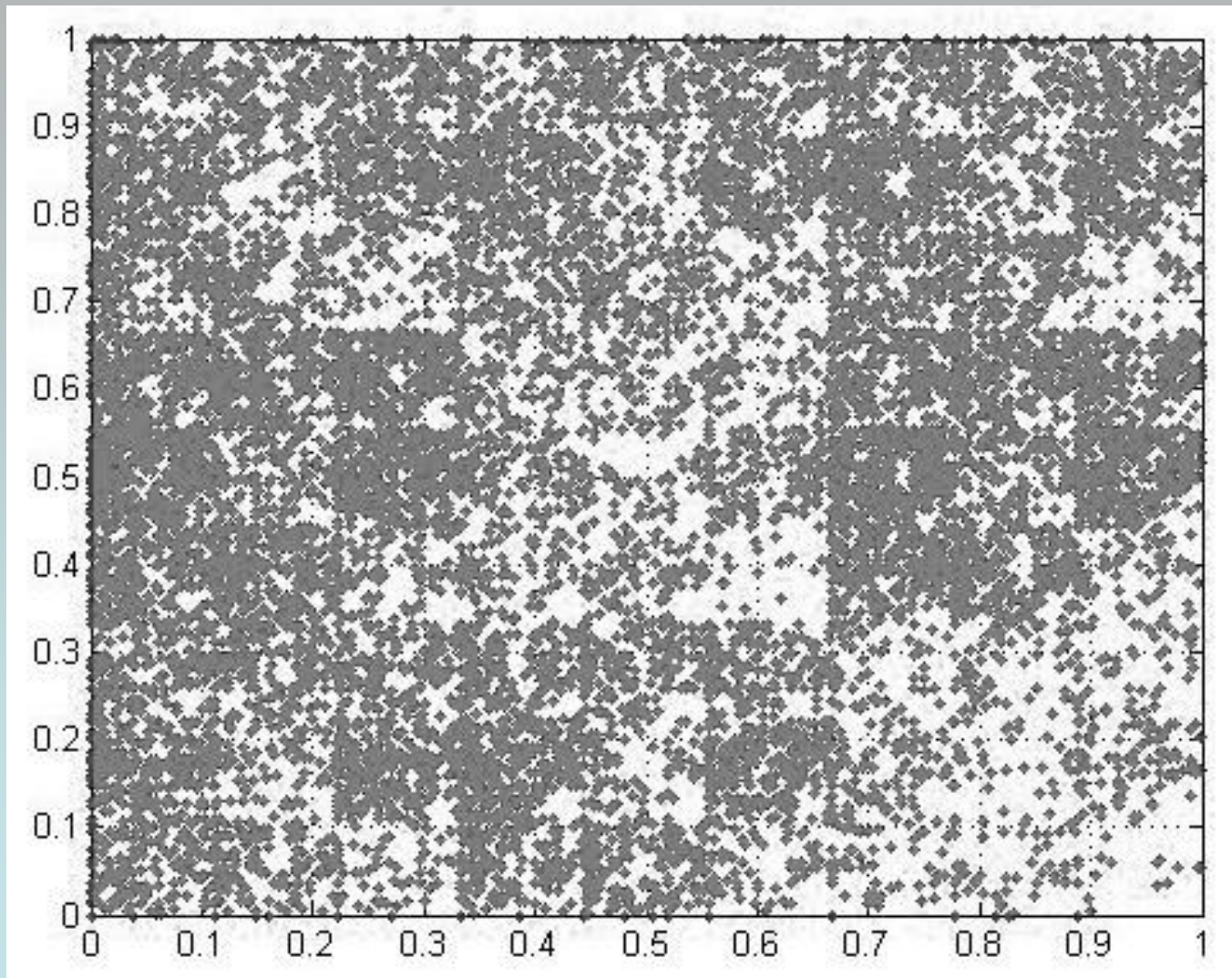




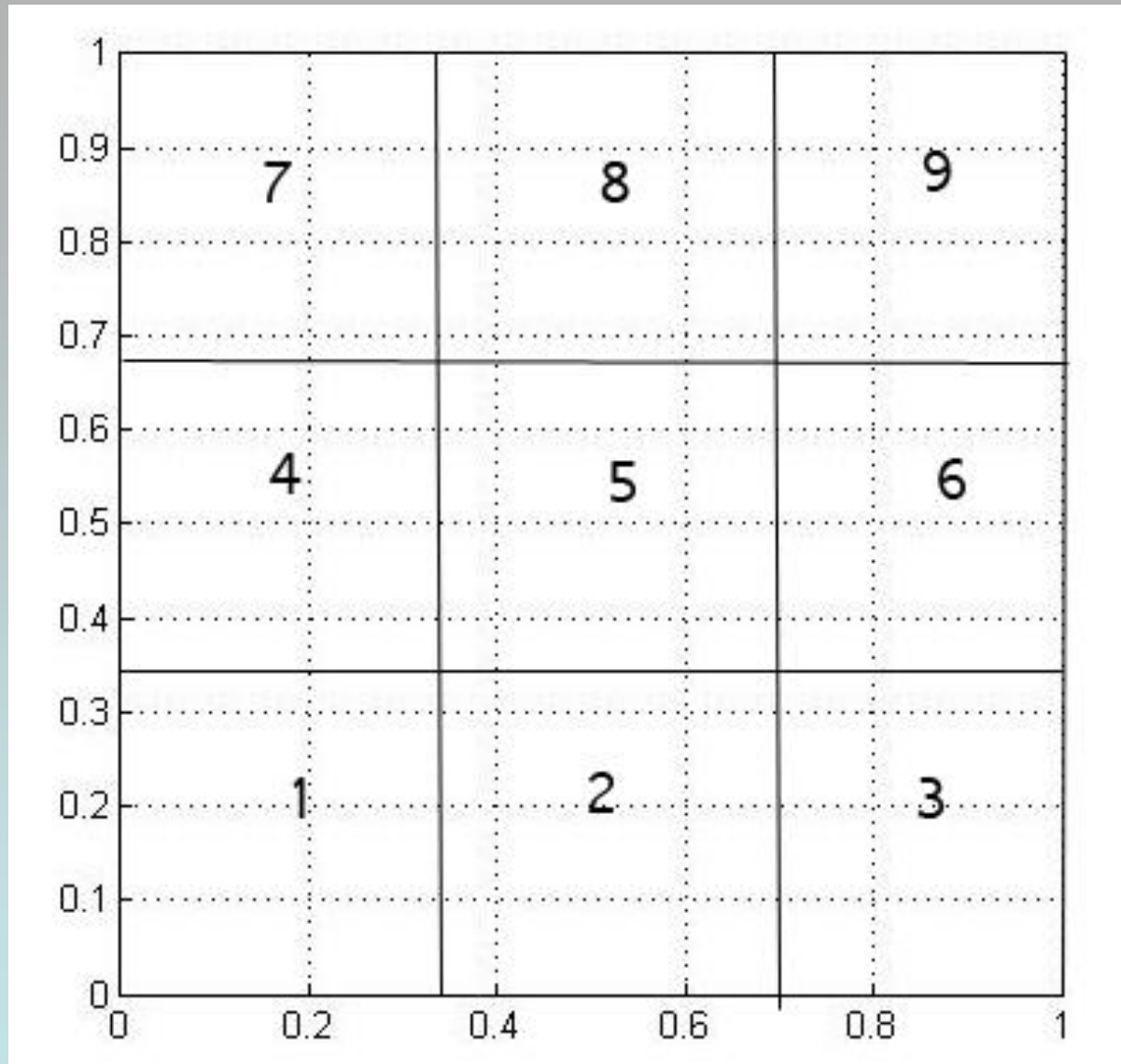
What are the probabilities for this sequence?



More points.....

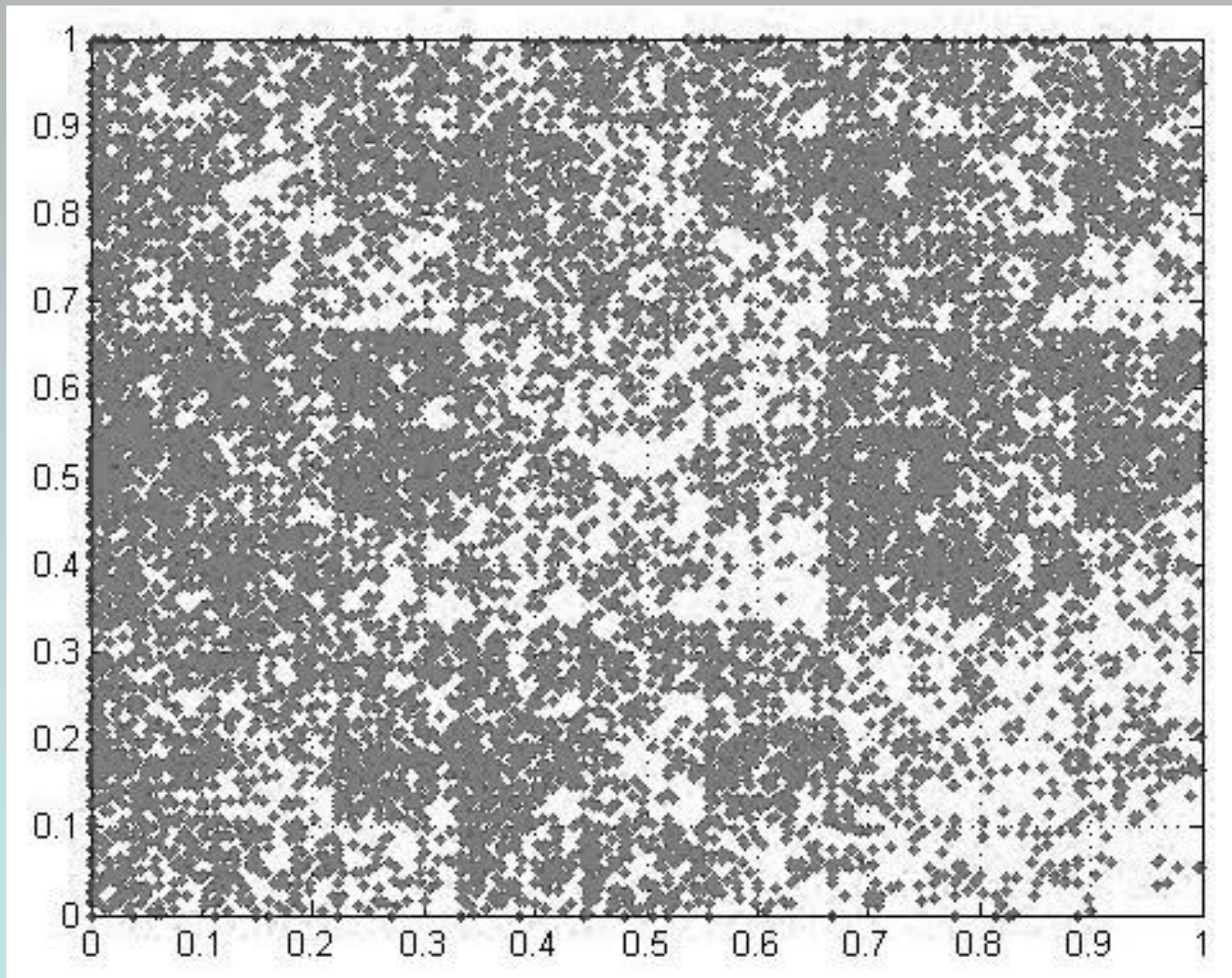


# Addresses



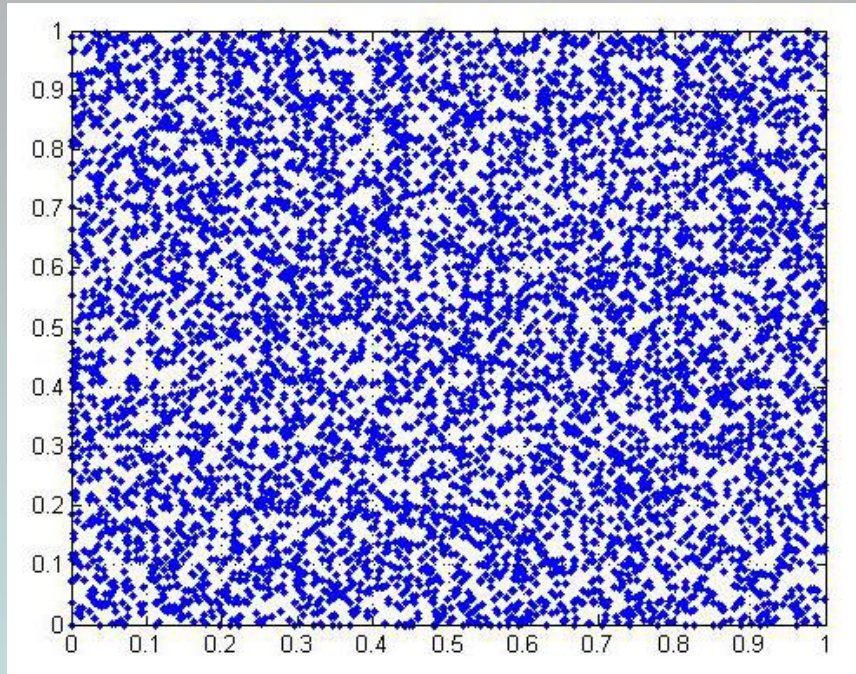


Looks like  $p_3$  is too low....

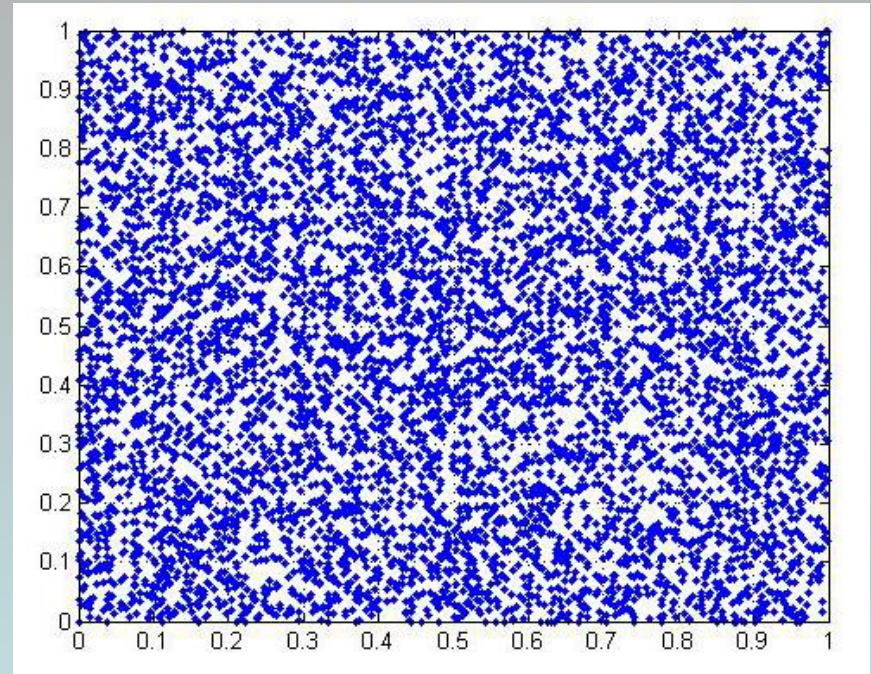




# Testing sequences for randomness



10,000 random

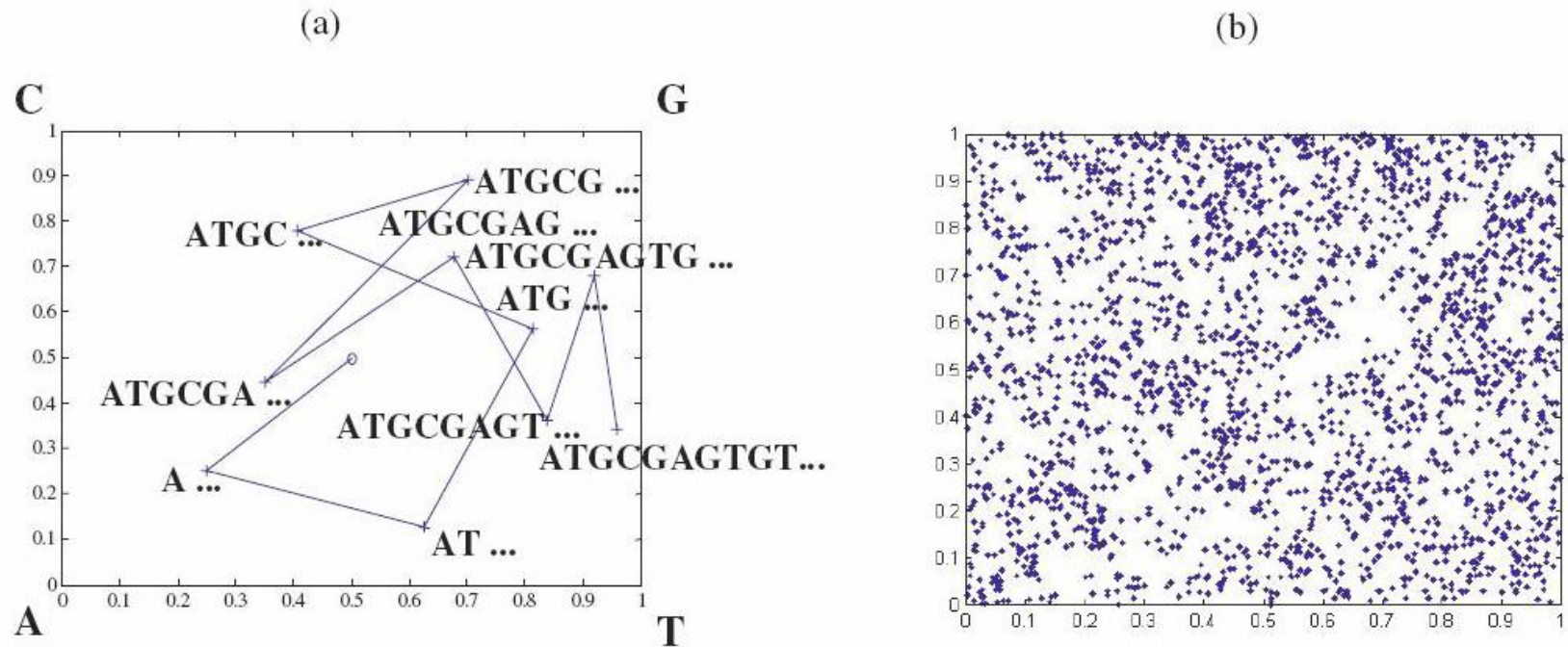


10,000 digits of Pi

(digits 1, ..., 9)

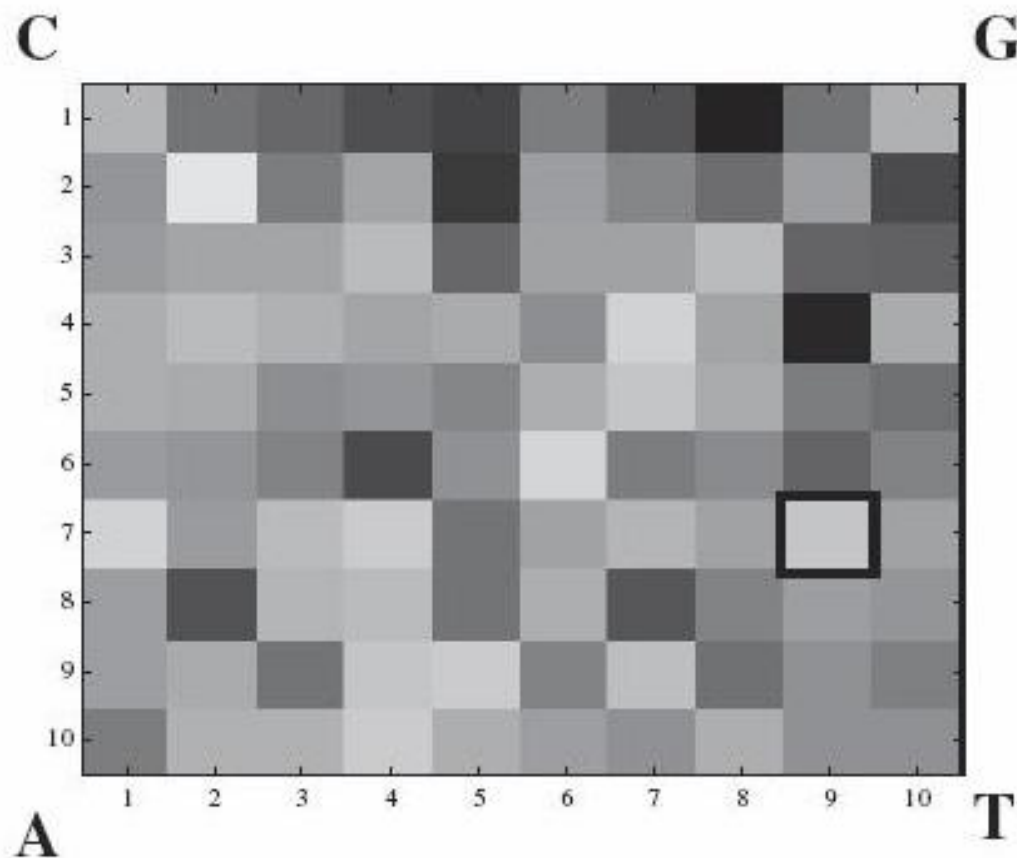
# Using the chaos game in bioinformatics

J.S.Almeida et al. "Analysis of genomic sequences by Chaos Game Representation", Bioinformatics, 2001



**Fig. 1.** (a) Chaos Game Representation (CGR) of the first 10 nucleotides of *E. coli* gene *thrA*: ATGCGAGTGT. The coordinates for each nucleotide are calculated iteratively using (0.5, 0.5) as an arbitrary starting position (equation 1). The pointer is moved half the distance to the next nucleotide to determine the next position (equation 1). (b) CGR of the full *thrA* sequence, totaling 2463 pairs of bases.



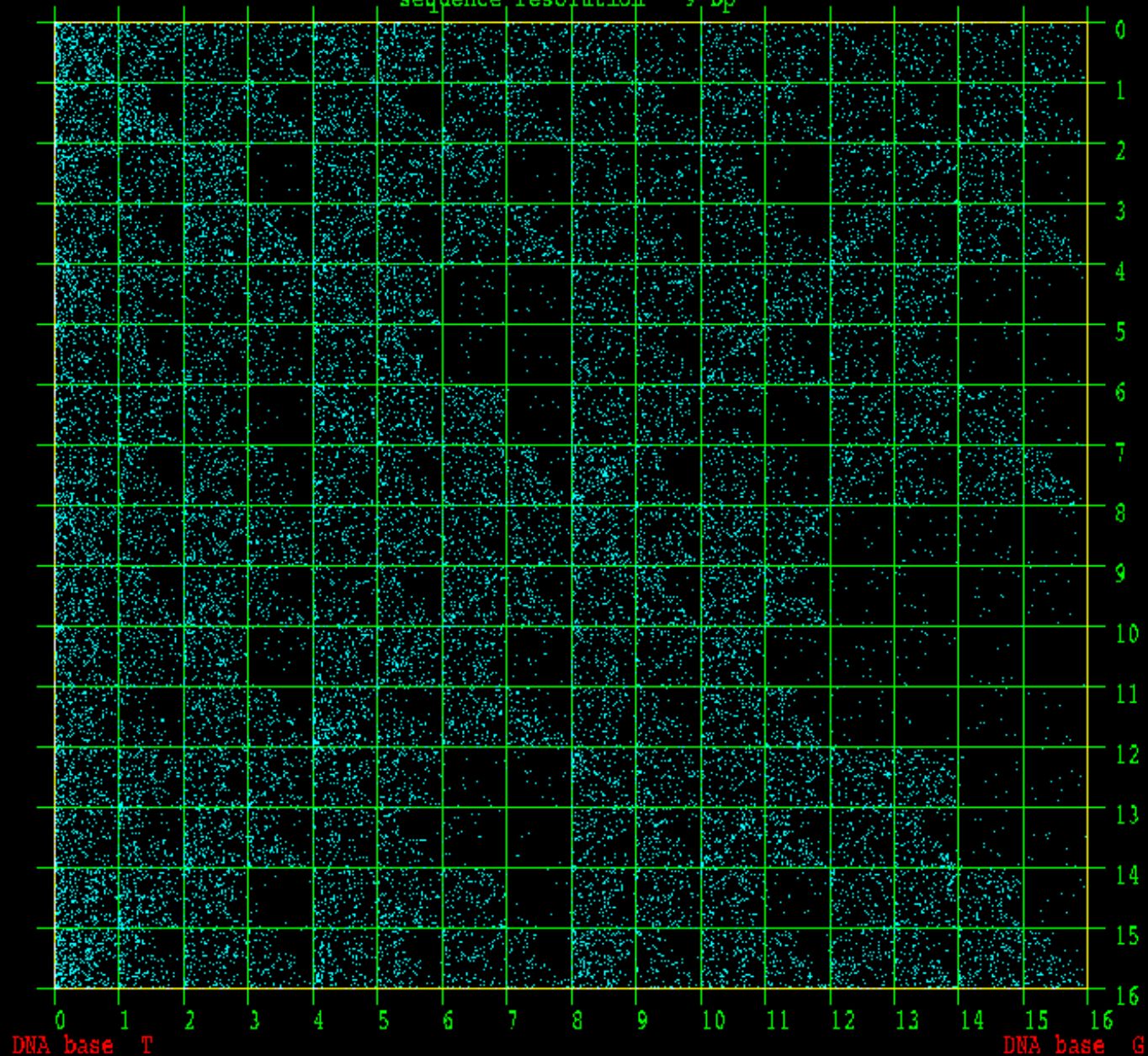


**Fig. 5.**  $\text{FCGR}_{\text{ThrA},3.32}$ : frequency  $10 \times 10$  table for CGR of *thrA*,  $k = 100 \Rightarrow n = 3.32$ . The gray scale represents frequencies between 0 (white) and the maximum frequency in any quadrant (black). The 8th position of *E.coli*'s *thrA* will now fall in the framed quadrant, delimited by ... (agga)aggaagt; ... (cgta)cgtacgt; ... (ggaa)ggaaggt; ... (tgca)tgcatgt.

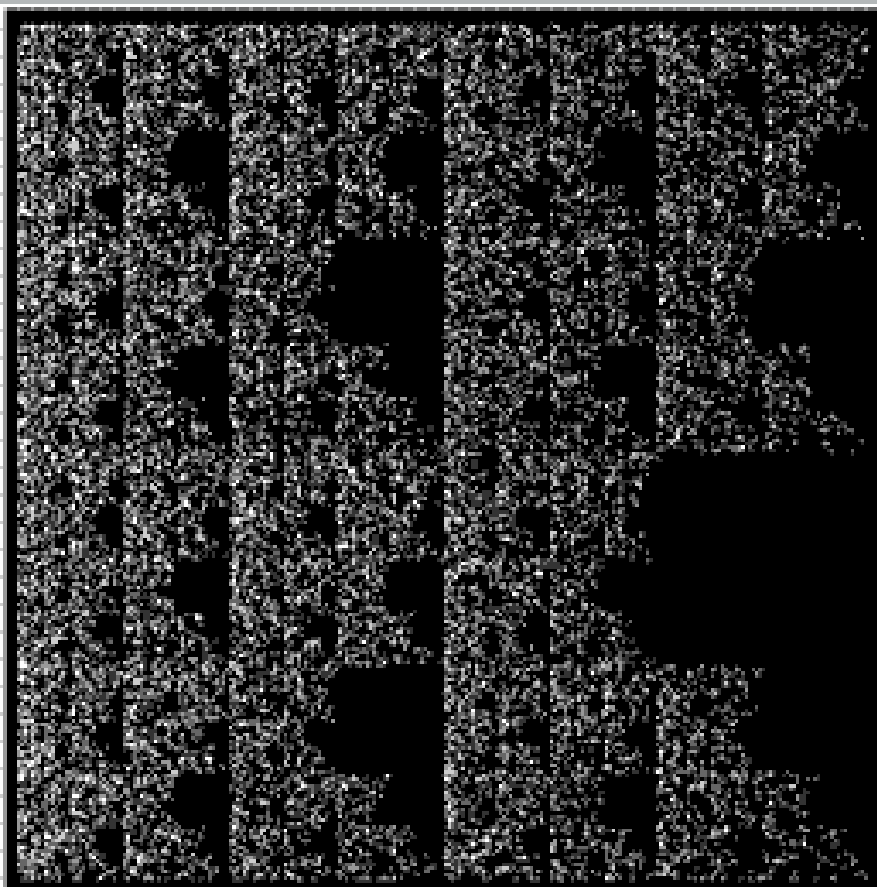
DNA base A

sequence resolution 9 bp

DNA base C



1st31375.txt



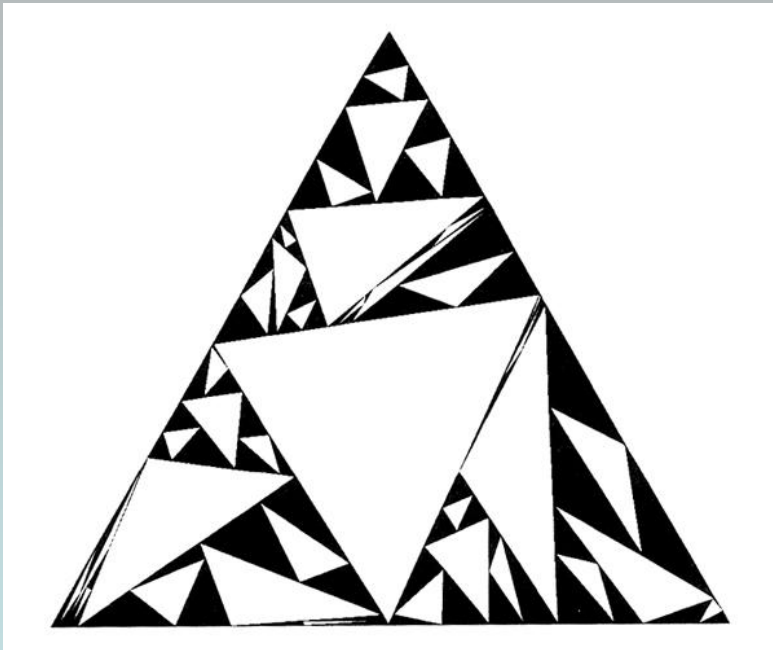
Stop Full Square Fastest Add. length 1 Sample

	i	a	b	c	d	e	f	p
1	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.2998	
2	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.5	0.3004	
3	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.1968	
4	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.2030	
5								
6								
7								
8								
9								
10								

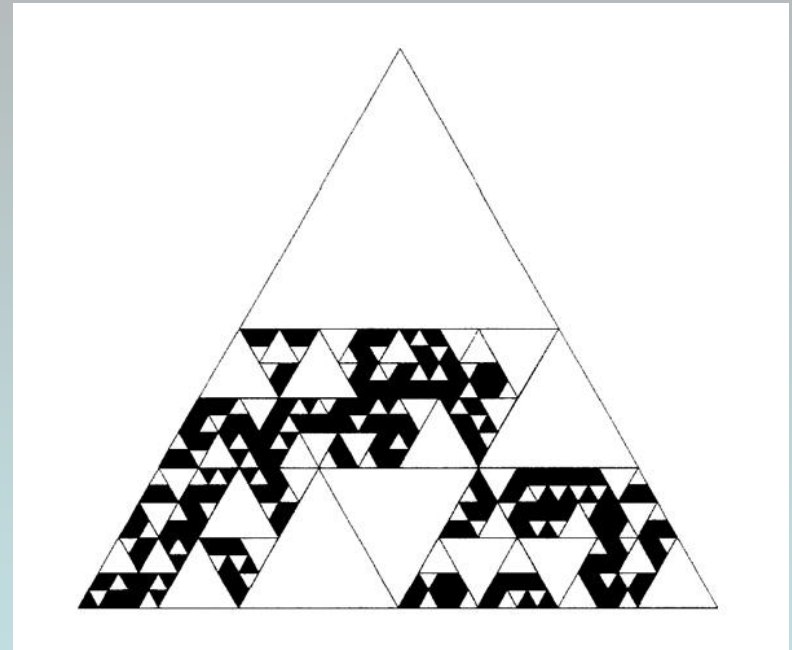
Dim: # Substring 34

# Random Fractals

(randomize the actions)

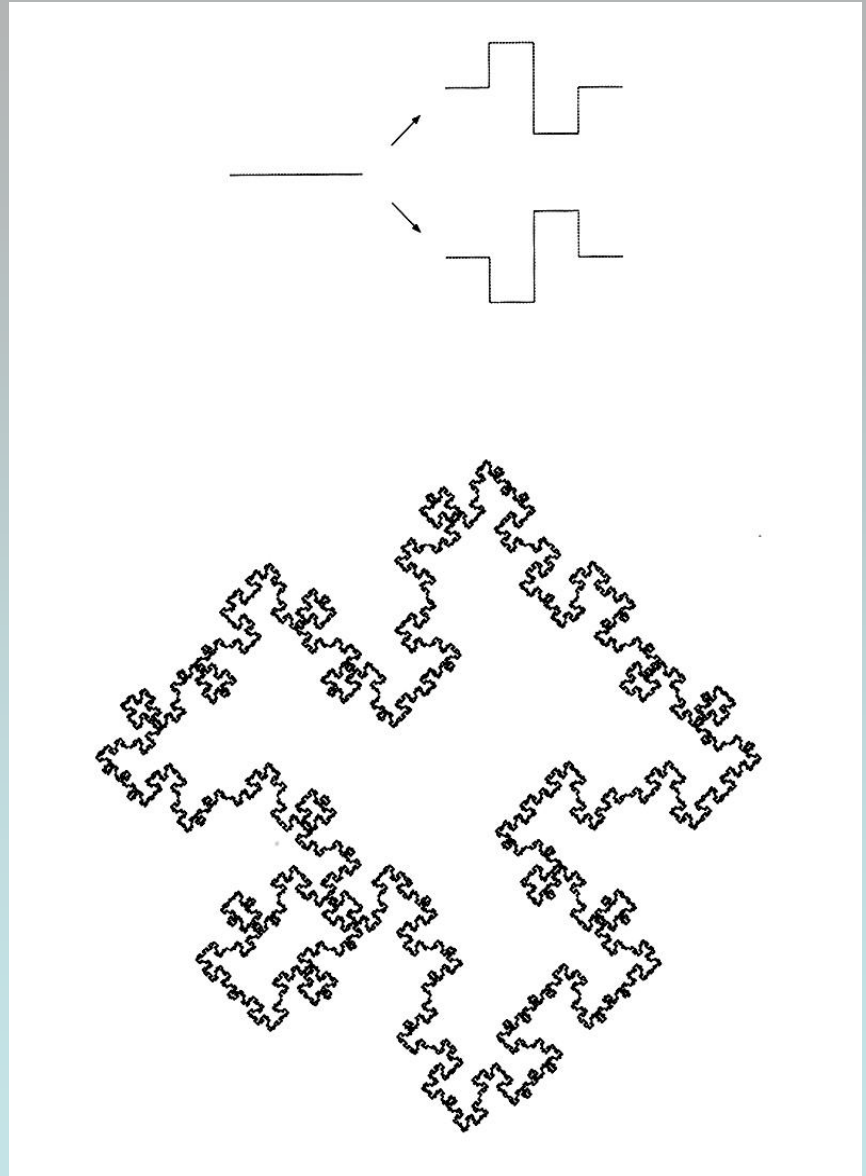
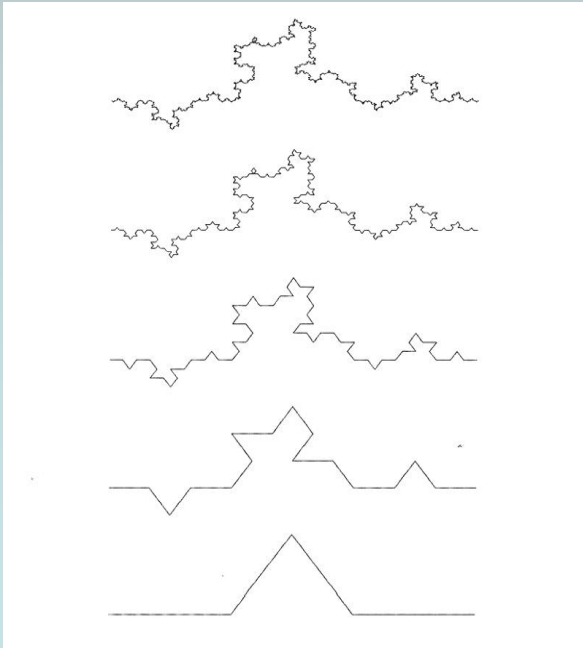
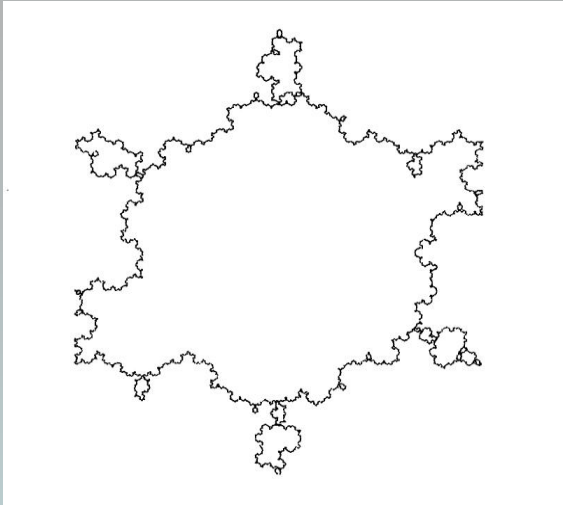


Random midpoints to  
define triangle decomposition



Remove random triangle  
at each iteration

# Random fractal curves



# Using fractals to create real life images



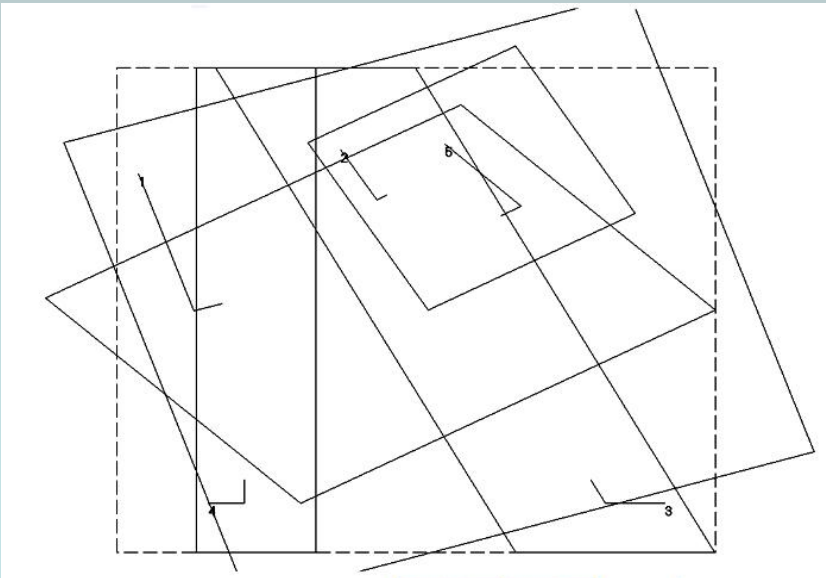
# Fractal Clouds



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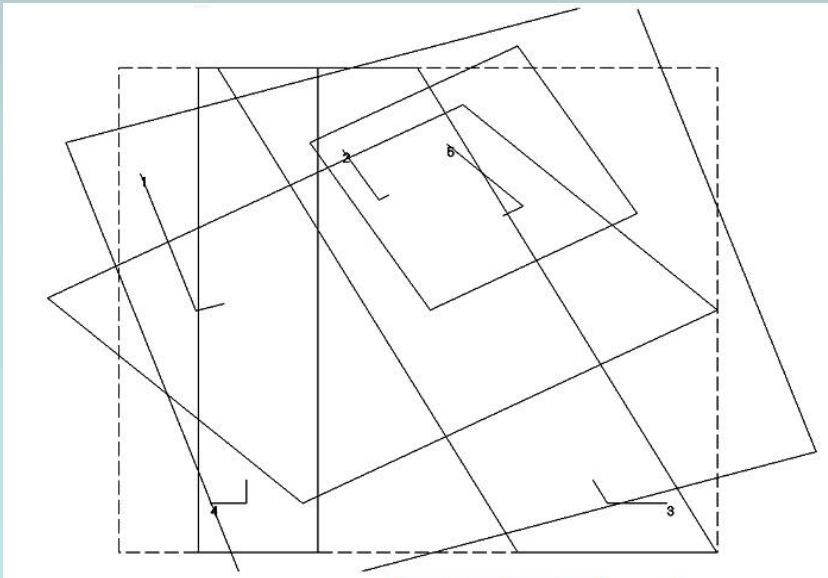
Decide the self-similar pieces



# Fractal Clouds



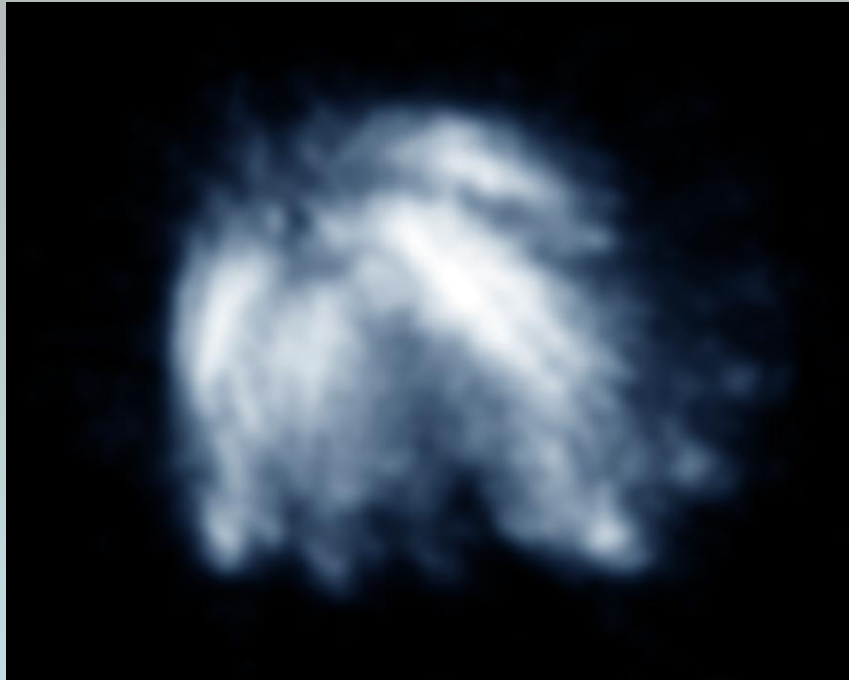
Decide the self-similar pieces



Generate the fractal

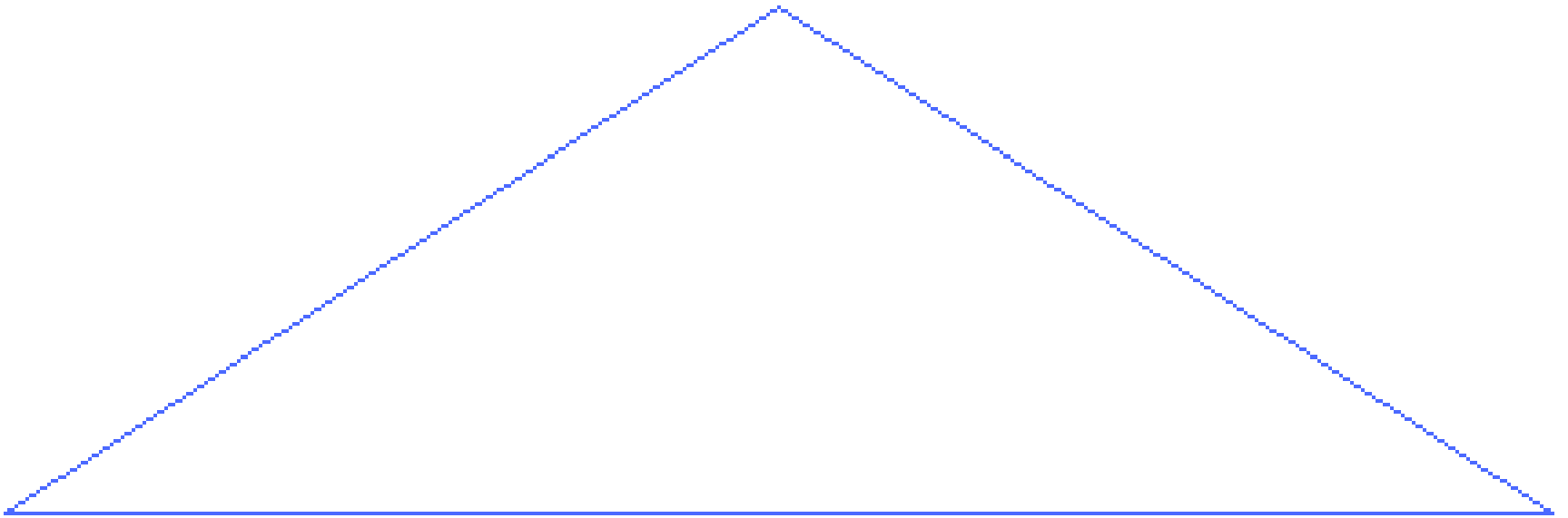


now blur a bit



Create a realistic cloud!

# Creating fractal mountains.....



# Fractal Mountains





# Fractal image compression

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Recall the IFS.....

$$W = w_1 \cup w_2 \cup \cdots \cup w_k, \quad w_i = A_i + v_i$$

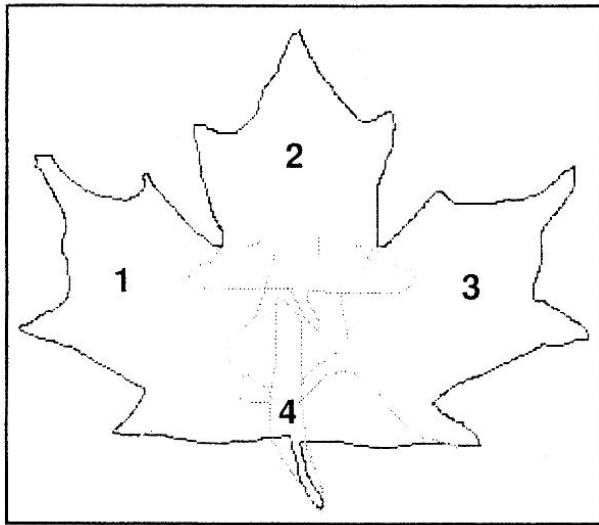
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} W^n(D) = \mathcal{F}$$

$$W(\mathcal{F}) = (\mathcal{F})$$

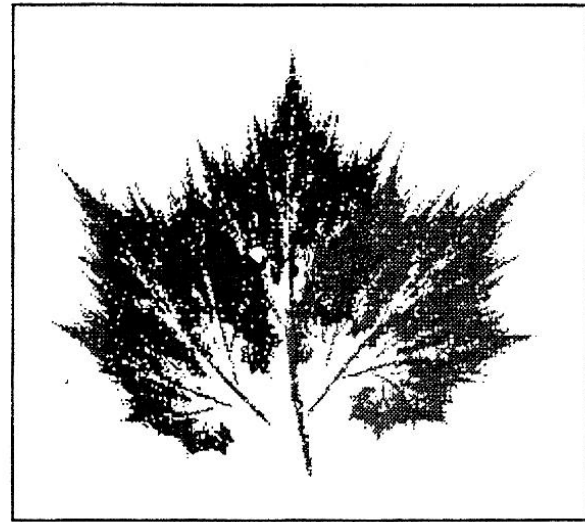
# Fractal image compression

- A fractal can be reconstructed by playing the chaos game (or iteration of the IFS)
- One only needs the 'game rules' (or the affine transformations of the IFS)
- Equations need only ~ 10's of KB
- Images need ~1,000 of KB!

# Many fractals can be made to look like real-life images....



(a)



(b)

**Fig. 2.3.1 Collage Theorem example. (a) The original image and 4 subimages; (b) the attractor image.**

Using a real image as a guide to finding an appropriate IFS  
**'Encoding' an IFS**

... and many real life images look like (many) fractals



Figure 1.7: Self-similar portions of the Lenna image.

Determine which small pieces of the image can be used to re-create other pieces of the image.

Collect all these IFS's into a 'multi IFS' that will re-create the entire image.

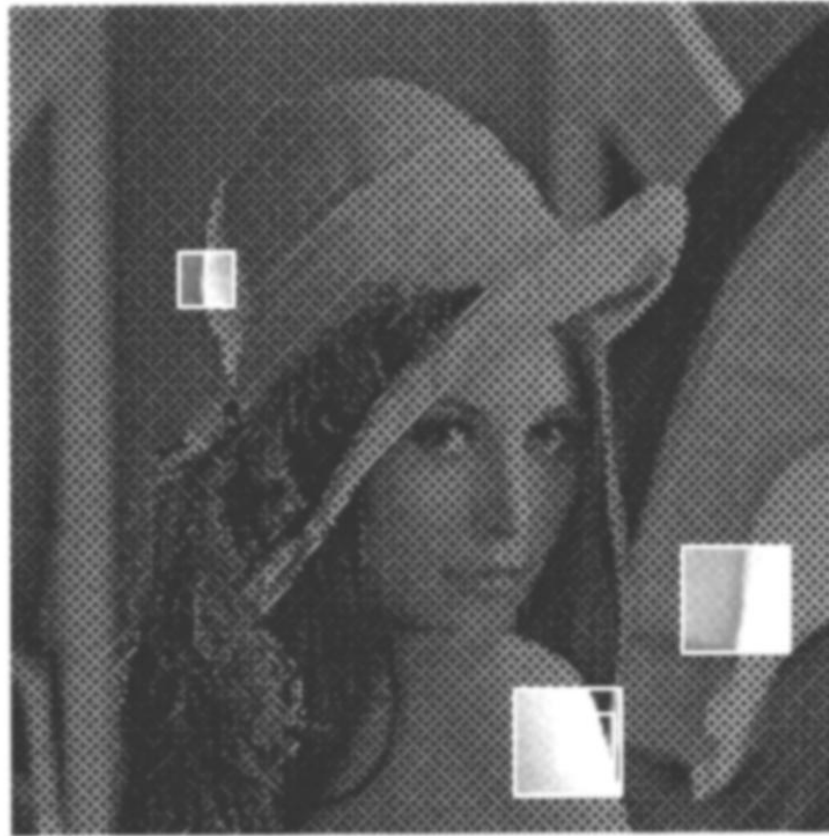
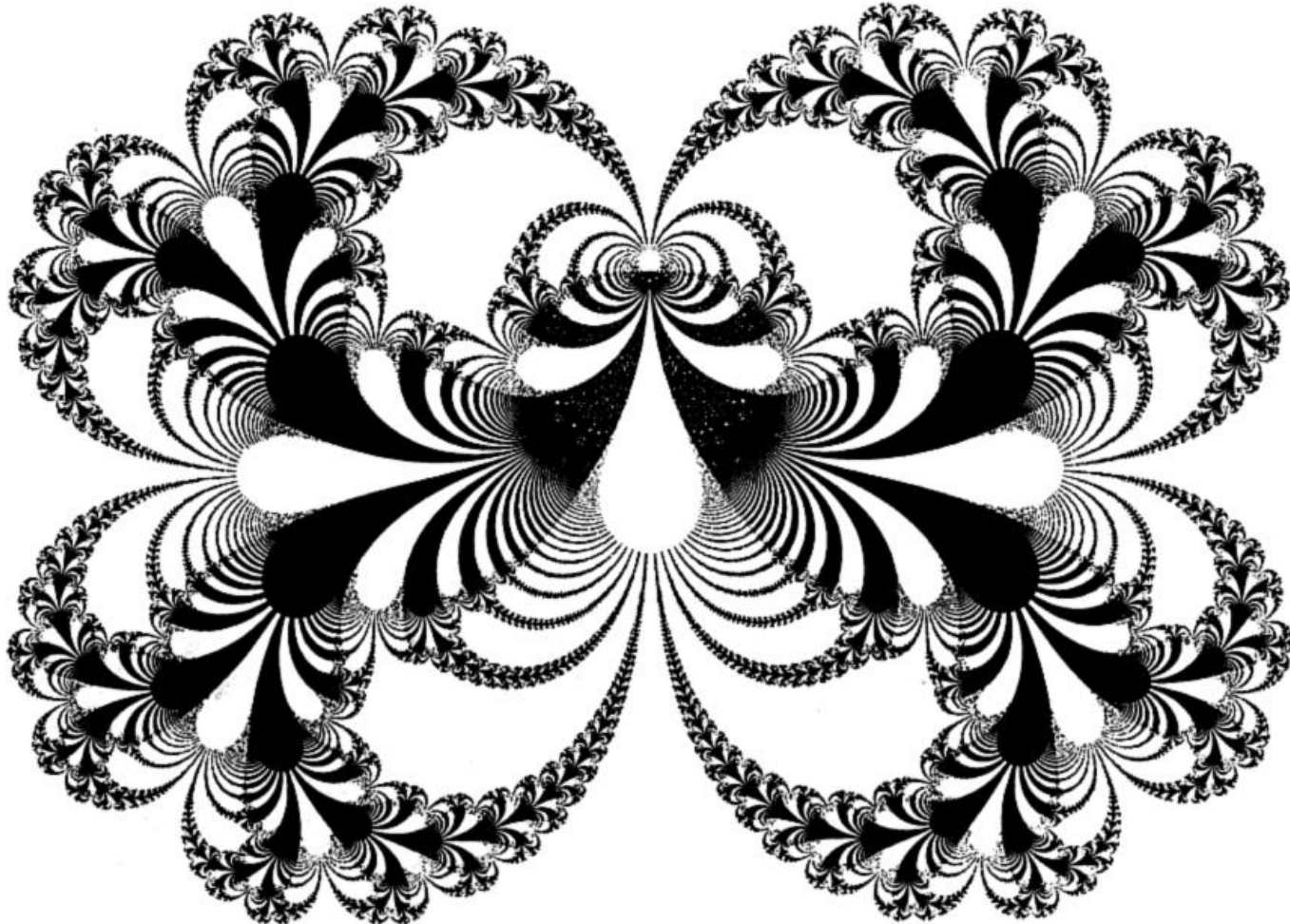


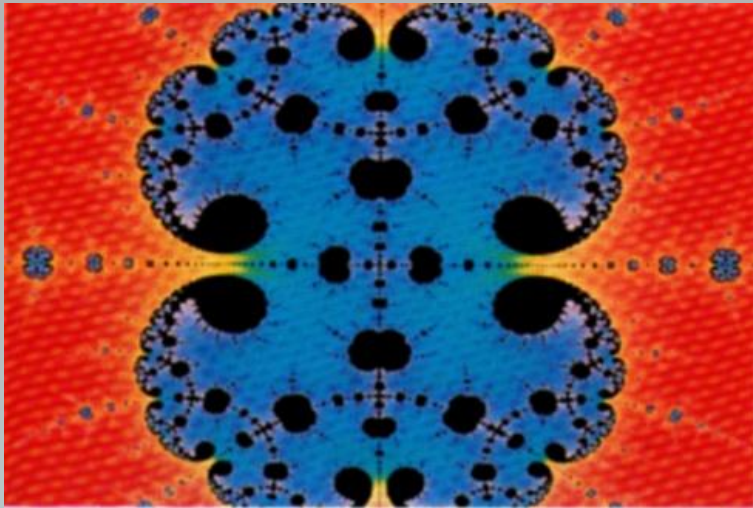
Figure 1.7: Self-similar portions of the Lenna image.



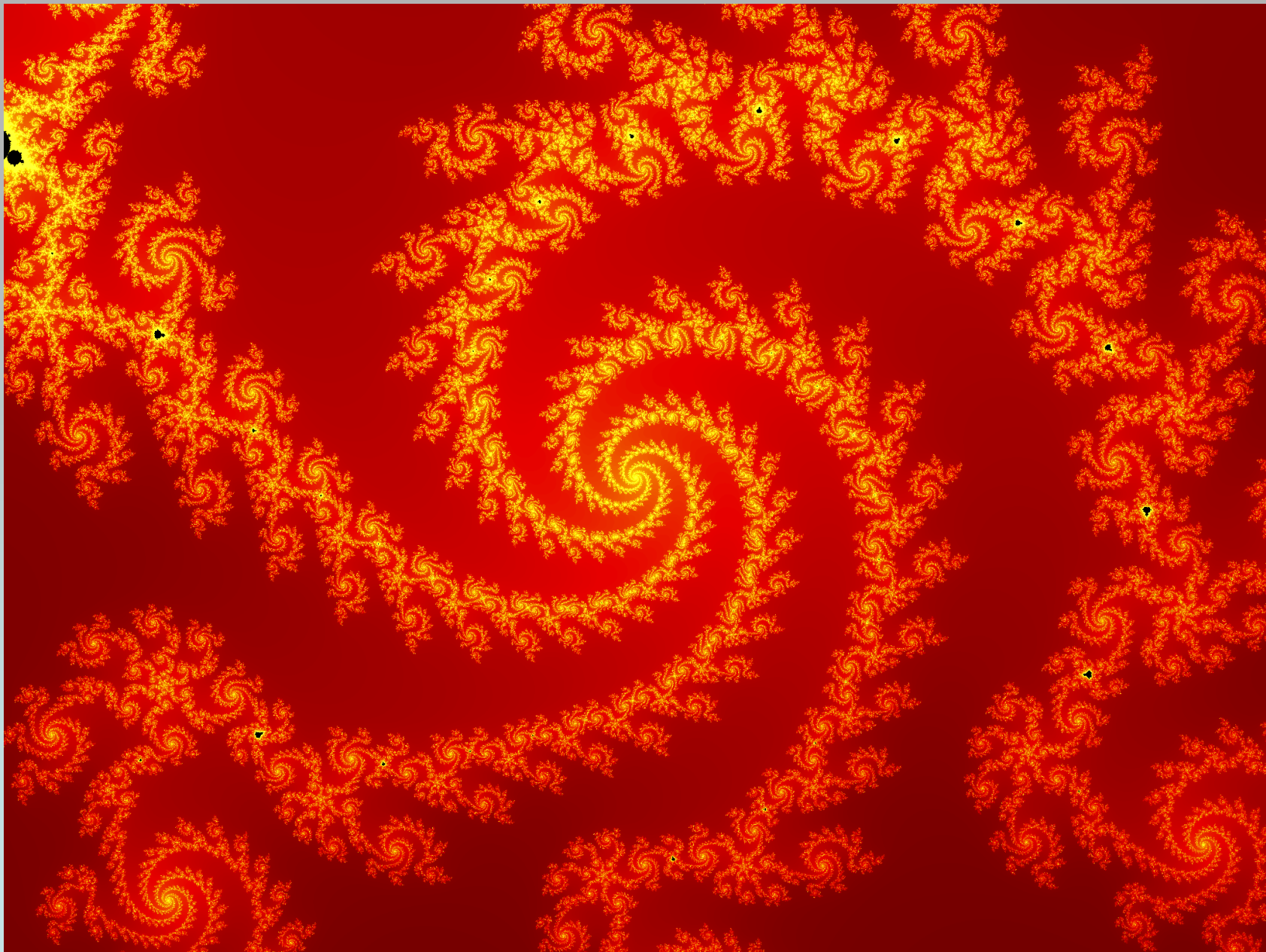
# Julia sets

*G. Julia, P. Fatou ca 1920*

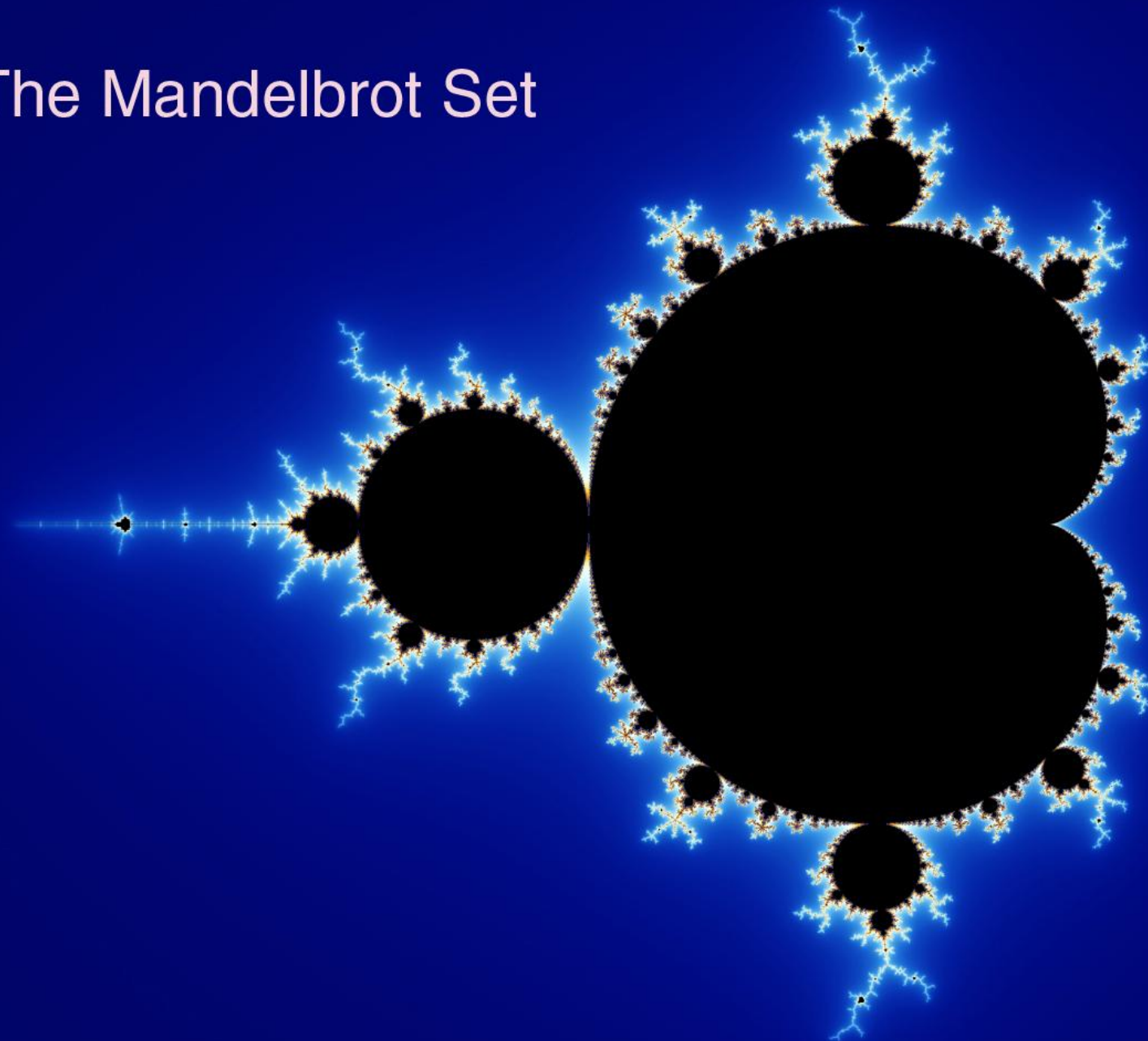




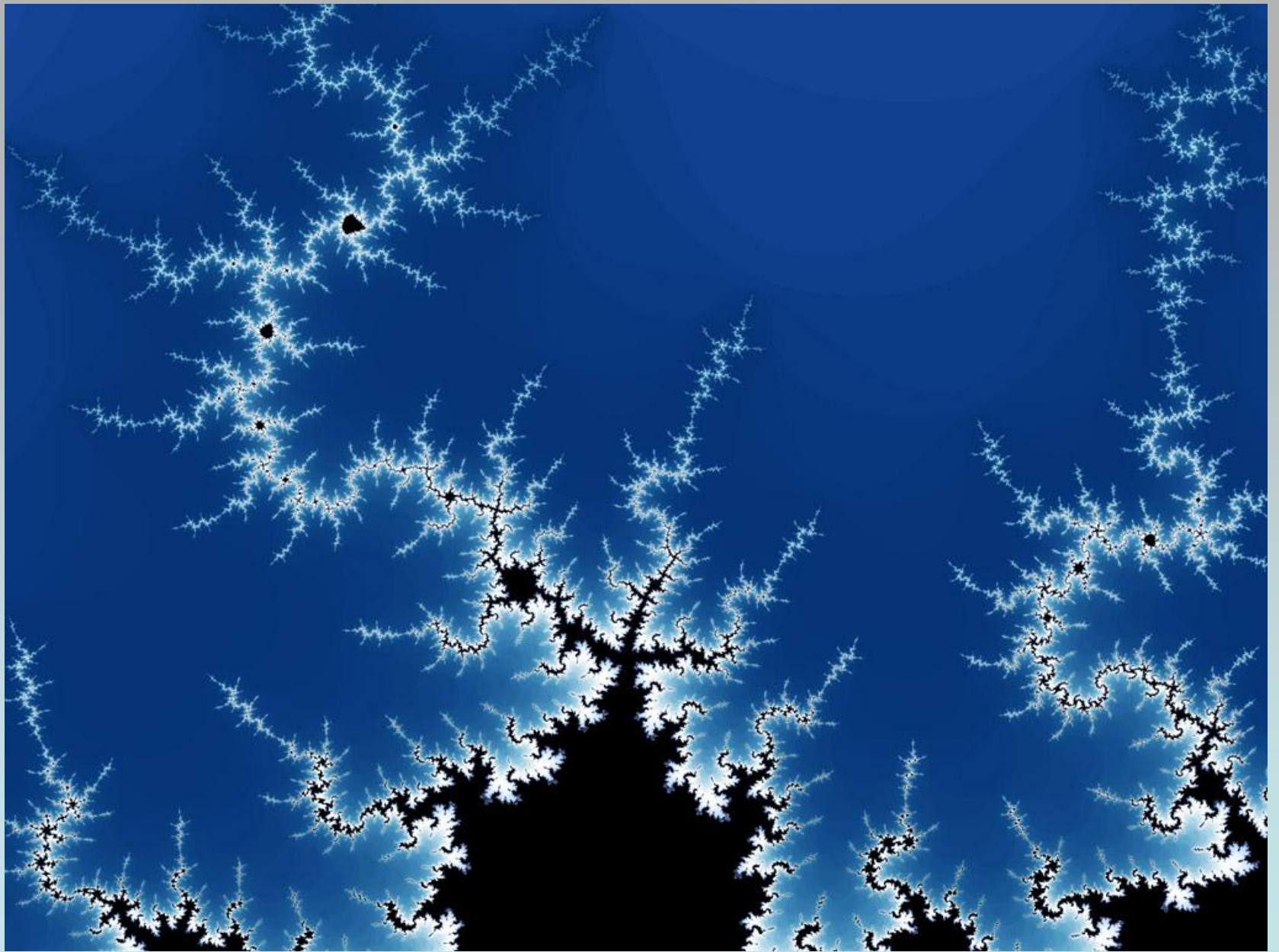




# The Mandelbrot Set







# For more information:

- *This presentation:*  
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